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Middlesex Fells Reservation

2006 Annual Report

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One of Stoneham's hidden jewels, enjoyed by all.

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Board of Selectmen

Left to right: Selectman R. Paul Rotondi, Selectman John F. DePinto, Chairman Robert W. Sweeney, Selectman Anthony C. Kennedy, and Selectman George E. Seibold.

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General Information

Incorporated:	December 17, 1725
Population:	22,914
Land Area:	6.6 square miles
Location:	Ten miles north of Boston; close proximity to Interstate Highways 93 and 128
Form of Government:	Open Town Meeting Selectmen/Town Administrator
Annual Town Election:	First Tuesday in April
Annual Town Meeting:	First Monday in May
Town Operating Budget (FY07):	$56,917,837
Assessed Valuation (FY07):	$3,255,331,985
2007 Tax Rate:	
Residential	$ 9.74
Commercial	$17.15
Senators in Congress:	Edward M. Kennedy John F. Kerry
Representative in Congress: (Seventh Congressional District)	Edward J. Markey
Sixth Councilor District:	Michael J. Callahan
Middlesex and Essex Senatorial District:	Richard Tisei
30th Representative District	Patrick Natale
31st Representative District	Paul C. Casey
District Court:	4th East Middlesex Woburn, Massachusetts

Stoneham
A Brief Profile

Once a major shoe manufacturing center, the Stoneham of today is a residential community whose commerce includes a balanced mix of retailing, service businesses, and a scattering of light manufacturing.

Recreational facilities abound in Stoneham. Supervised summer programs are provided at our seven playgrounds and thirteen tennis courts. Little League Baseball, Youth Basketball, Pop Warner Football, Youth Hockey, and Soccer Club are all active in our town. The Stoneham Boys and Girls Club provides indoor recreation year round. Town-owned Unicorn Recreational nine-hole golf course, par three Stoneham Oaks golf course, and indoor heated skating rink are available for community use. There is also a private nine-hole golf course at Bear Hill Country Club. Our Whip Hill wildlife sanctuary and manor house, consisting of over thirty acres, is a prized asset of Stoneham. The Walter D. Stone Memorial Zoo attracts many visitors.

The Middlesex Fells Reservation, one of the State's largest parks, comprises a major portion of Stoneham (32%) and offers nature trails, bridle paths, and picnicking. Metropolitan District Commission facilities in Stoneham consist of the following:

Swimming Pool
Bear Hill Observatory
Spot Pond
Outdoor Skating Rink

Stoneham has an outstanding public school system, including Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School, and also offers private education at St. Patrick's School, Seventh Day Adventist School, and private kindergartens.

Churches include All Saints Episcopal, First Baptist, First Congregational, Jehovah's Witnesses, St. James United Methodist, St. Patrick's Roman Catholic, and Stoneham Memorial Seventh Day Adventist.

Central Animal Hospital and Stoneham Animal Hospital both care of our pet population and Stoneham Animal Hospital also serves as dog pound for the community.

Stoneham's Senior Center is a source of pleasure for our elder residents, whether they partake of the noontime meal or join in the many planned activities for their enjoyment. Public housing is available for both senior and low income residents. The Town is 98% sewered, and the Public Works Department renders outstanding service as to plowing, sanding, etc.

Comcast, RCN, and Verizon provide cable television service in Stoneham, allowing for a choice.

Our local newspapers, the Stoneham Independent and the Stoneham Sun, are published weekly.

TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES
2006

	Terms Expire
MODERATOR	
Michael J. Rotondi	2007
BOARD OF SELECTMEN	
John F. DePinto	2007
Anthony C. Kennedy	2007
George E. Seibold	2008
R. Paul Rotondi	2009
Robert W. Sweeney, Chairman	2009
SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
Kristen A. Russo, Chairman	2007
Maureen M. Soley	2008
Cheryl Walsh	2008
Marie T. Christie	2009
Miriam Regan-Fiore	2009
BOARD OF ASSESSORS	
Richard D. Mangerian	2007
William J. Jordan	2008
Craig J. Celli, Chairman	2009
TOWN CLERK	
John J. Hanright	2007
BOARD OF HEALTH	
Benedict J. DiRusso, Jr., Chairman	2007
Traci A. Mello	2008
John J. Scullin	2009

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Susan K. Doucette	2007
Susan Waldman Fixman	2007
Rocco Ciccarello	2008
Michael Rora	2008
Catherine F. DiDonato	2009
Jane Francis	2009

NORTHEAST METROPOLITAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE

Anthony DeTeso

PLANNING BOARD

August S. Niewenhous, III	2007
Frank J. Federico	2008
Kevin Dolan	2009
Stephen R. Catalano	2010
Thomas J. O'Grady	2011

HOUSING AUTHORITY

Frederick F. Mosley, Chairman	2008
Edward J. Pinato	2009
Vincent L. Orsillo	2010
William F. Jordan	2011
Rosemary Trask, Governor's Appointee	2001
Joanne Graves, Executive Director	
Ex-officio	

CONSTABLES

Fredric Kranefuss	2009
Robert E. Moreira	2009
Robert w. Nardone	2009

CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

James J. McDermott, Jr., Employees' Representative	2009
Elsie M. Wallace, Employees' Representative	2009
Janice T. Houghton, Chairman	2009
Cosmo M. Ciccarello, Designee of the Board of Selectmen	
Ronald Castignetti, Town Accountant	
Ex-Officio	

BOARD OF APPEALS

Laurence J. Rotondi	2007
Kevin C. McLaughlin	2007
James A. Juliano	2008
Henry T. Sampson	2008
Gerard J. Cunningham	2009
Mark J. Bell, Associate Member	2007
Frank Vallarelli, Associate Member	2007

BIKE AND GREENWAY COMMITTEE

Cameron Bain, Chairman
Robert Conway
Rita G. Covelle
Peter Daniels
Shirley Drinkwater
John Ranlett
Wendy Smith
Joan Terrasi
Robert Vercollone
Theresa Ward
Kristen Wigandt
John C. Goodwin, Assoc. Member
Trudy Sevier, Assoc. Member
Marilyn Regan, Assoc. Member
Bee Russo, Assoc. Member

BUSINESS CLIMATE COMMITTEE

Ralph Barile
Sharon Iovanni
August Niewenhous
Alan Melkonian
Janice Houghton
Cheryl Walsh

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Robert E. Conway, Chairman	2007
James A. Juliano, Jr.	2007
Robert Parsons	2008
Robert McKertich	2008
David F. Oberhauser	2008
Robert J. Tobin	2009
Daniel C. Towse	2009

COUNCIL ON AGING

Mary A. Cappannelli	2007
Norma Nicolazzo	2007
Howard Porter	2007
Miriam R. Moore	2008
Dorothea Rourke-O'Regan	2008
Marcia M. Wengen	2008
Alice M. Blackwell	2009
Marjorie Neylon	2009
Richard Bardet	2010
Dorothy A. Corkum	2010

CULTURAL COUNCIL

Marcia M. Wengen	9/21/07
Jane C. DiGangi	9/21/07
Catherine A. Granese	9/21/07
Susan Doucette	10/7/09
Kathleen T. Holland	10/7/09
Melissa Powers	10/7/09

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Fire Chief Lawrence Lamey
Police Chief Gregory M. O'Keefe
David A. Portman, Action Ambulance Service, Inc.
Jack Twomey, RN, CEN, EMT-M, Boston Regional Medical Center

FINANCE & ADVISORY BOARD

Benjamin A. Caggiano	2007
John P. DeAmicis	2007
John C. Warren	2007
Shawn McCarthy	2008
Nicholas Stavre	2008
Stephen Born	2009
John F. Bowen	2009
Andrew Gould	2009
Richard S. Gregorio, Chairman	2009
James C. Sinclair	2009
Russ Wilson	2009

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

David Armato	2007
Stephen E. Rotondi	2007
Carol A. Nickerson	2007
Joanne DiMambro	2008
Joan Quigley	2008
Marcia M. Wengen	2009
Christopher Willard	2009

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Donna M. Weiss, President
Richard Watts, 1st Vice President
Susan Doucette, 2nd Vice President
Margaret O'Keefe, Secretary
Donald F. Marchant, Treasurer
Mary K. Marchant, Curator

LAND AND BUILDING USE COMMITTEE

John Bracciotti
James Juliano, Jr.
Catherine Moore
Kristen Russo
Marcia Wengen

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

Frederick Mosley
James Standish
Gerald Sullivan

MYSTIC VALLEY ELDER SERVICES

Jane Lavender	9/30/04
Barbara Mahoney	9/30/04

OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Therese DiBlasi	2007
Stephen P. Sylvester	2007
Chris Abreu, Chairman	2008
Denise Healy	2008
Maureen Houghton	2008
Stephen G. McDonough	2008
James Sarno	2008
Dennis J. Visconti	2009

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Jo Ann Anderson	2007
Rocco Ciccarello	2008
Theresa A. Ward	2009
John J. Hanright, Town Clerk Ex-Officio	

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Ronald Fiore
Kevin J. Crowley
Marie Christie
Jeanne Craigie
Maureen Soley
Harold G. Paicopolos
Daniel W. Hogan, Jr., Chairman
David A. Campbell
Thomas Barry
Glenys L. Bruno
Stephen O'Neil
David Gardner

STATE RELATIONS COMMITTEE

John Bowen
Peter B. D'Angelo
Cosmo M. Ciccarello
Patrick F. Jordan, Jr.
Joseph J. Connelly
Gordon E. Perks

TOWN COMMON OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Stephen Born	2007
Dominic Maitino	2007
Stephen McDonough	2007
Open	2008
Open	2008
Julie L. Draper	2009
Elsie Wallace	2009

TOWN OPERATIONS/STRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Benjamin Caggiano
Eugene M. Passaro
Stephen G. Macleod
Maureen Soley
James A. Juliano, Sr.

WAR MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Mary S. Bond
Frederick Mosley
Francis Roberts
Guerino Tamburrini

WATER AND SEWER REVIEW BOARD

Joseph C. Viselli - Selectmen Designee	2007
John L. Bracciotti – Finance Board Designee	2007
Robert W. Nardone - Selectmen Designee	2008
Tracey Butterworth – Selectmen Designee	2009
Therese DiBlasi, Chairman – Finance Board Designee	2009

APPOINTED TOWN POSITIONS
2006

Town Administrator.....Ronald J. Florino

Town Counsel.....William H. Solomon, Esq.

Town Treasurer/Tax
Collector.....Thomas Cicatelli

Asst. Town Treasurer/Tax
Collector.....Diane Murphy

Town Accountant.....Ronald Castignetti

Fire Chief.....Lawrence Lamey

Police Chief.....Gregory M. O'Keefe

Superintendent of Schools.....Joseph Connelly, Ed.D.

Library Director.....Mary Todd

Public Works Director.....Robert E. Grover

Interim Inspector of
Buildings.....Cheryl Noble

Director of Veterans
Services.....Carl Saunders

Director of Civil
Preparedness.....Lawrence Lamey

Director of Assessing.....Francis Golden

Interim Fence
..Viewer.....Cheryl Noble

TOWN GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

Citizens Elect:

Board of Selectmen
School Committee
Town Clerk
Board of Assessors
Planning Board
Constables
Library Trustees
Board of Health
*Housing Authority
Moderator

Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School Representative

Selectmen Appoint:

Town Administrator
Town Counsel
Town Accountant
Selectmen's Office Staff
Council on Aging
Board of Appeals
Conservation Commission
Commission for the Handicapped
Historical Commission
Recreation and Open Space Committee
Registrars of Voters
Designee to Board of Retirement
All multi-member Boards/ Committees

*Four Elected, One Appointed by State EOCD

School Committee Appoints:

Superintendent of Schools

Town Administrator Appoints:

Building and Wire Inspectors
Dog Officer
Fire Chief
Police Chief
Town Engineer
Treasurer/Tax Collector
Director of Veterans Services
All Other Officers and Employees

Superintendent of Schools Appoints:

School Staff

Library Trustees Appoint:

Library Director
Library Staff

Moderator Appoints:

Finance & Advisory Board
Ad Hoc Committees

Board of Selectmen

2006

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to present the 2006 Annual Report to the residents of Stoneham, in accordance with Section 2-31 of the Town Code, which reads as follows:

Every officer in charge of a department shall annually, on or before the tenth day of January, transmit to the Selectmen, in writing, a report containing a statement of the acts and doings of his department for the past financial year; such report shall be printed in the Annual Report.

On April 4, 2006 Robert W. Sweeney was re-elected to a three-year term as Selectman, and R. Paul Rotondi was elected to a three-year term as Selectman.

On April 11, 2006, the Board reorganized. Robert W. Sweeney was elected Chairman; John F. DePinto, Vice-Chairman; George E. Seibold, Secretary; Anthony C. Kennedy and R. Paul Rotondi, Members. Muriel Doherty is Office Manager to the Board.

In accordance with Article VIII, Section 2-45, of the Town Code, William H. Solomon was reappointed Town Counsel for the Town of Stoneham, on March 14, 2006.

Many applicants were assisted by this office and applications were processed for the Helen Walcott Stockwell Trust, which covers payment of medical bills for needy Stoneham residents. Funds were distributed to various hospitals and physicians. Residents may apply at the Selectmen's office for an application.

Seven (7) lots are available at Lindenwood Cemetery to be used for the burial of indigent Stoneham residents. Mrs. Edna H. Kirts donated eight lots to the Town in memory of her father, Charles Cloudman, on October 16, 1979. Residents may contact the Board of Selectmen's office to determine eligibility.

The Board of Selectmen met 36 times during 2006. In addition, there were two Town Meetings held this year and one election. Members of the Board attended many sub-committee meetings and meetings of other boards, committees, and commissions, in addition to attending conferences. The Board of Selectmen made appointments to the boards and committees during the year. Several Public Hearings were held relative to site plan approval; public utilities as to installation of poles and conduits; public input on projects; and determination and adoption of local tax revenue to be borne by each class of real and personal property.

The war on terrorism and the war in Iraq continue, after the horrendous attacks of 9/11/01. James O'Brien, Arena Assistant, is on active duty. We are thankful that the other employees who were on active duty have all have

returned safely, and we are thankful that Stoneham residents have returned safely. Our thoughts and prayers remain with all the residents of Stoneham who are serving our country, as well as all our armed forces from all over the country. We are proud of them and thankful to them for their service.

On December 4, 2006, the Board of Selectmen held our annual Senior Citizen Holiday Party. This affair was held at Montvale Plaza. The dinner, entertainment, and beautiful dining hall were once again donated by Marty Murphy and his family, owners of Montvale Plaza. About 330 seniors enjoyed dinner, entertainment, raffle prizes, and gifts for all. The Board thanks Marty Murphy along with the businesses and individuals who generously donated money and raffle prizes or who volunteered to serve at the party. Their generosity and hard work contributed to the good time had by all.

The Board of Selectmen, which sets policy for the Town, continues to be receptive to citizen input, not only at public hearings but through phone calls received at home, in our contact with the public, and in phone calls and visits made to our office by the public. The Board, as always, welcomes this input and encourages it. The Board holds public hearings on many issues to give the townspeople an opportunity to have input. The Board of Selectmen and its office continue to perform the many and diverse functions required by both Town Bylaws and Massachusetts General Law and to expand services where needed.

The Board of Selectmen wishes to thank all Town officers, employees, and members of committees for their efforts and dedication during the past year.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

In 2006, the Town realized a small surplus in the amount of $94,839. This was the smallest certified free cash amount since 1995. Normally, the certified free cash amount ranges between $500,000 and $1,000,000, but this fiscal year actual revenues did not exceed the projected amounts by a large margin, which affected the free cash amount. Another factor was that departments turned back fewer funds into the General Fund at the end of Fiscal Year 2006. Department heads have done a remarkable job dealing with the budget cuts and absorbing cost increases for health insurance, utilities, and maintenance. They hardly have enough funds to manage their operations and most of their budget line items were under funded due to budget constraints. In fact, many of these departments have smaller operating budgets today than they had five years ago.

In 2006, the Town was unable to restore some of the important programs that had been eliminated over the past few years due to lack of funds available. The Town has been receiving about $2 million less per year in local aid from the State since Fiscal Year 2003. In addition, it loses about $1.5 million a year in Chapter 70 Funds because of an inequitable distribution formula. Finally, the Town has lost thousands of tax dollars each year because one third of the land in Town is owned by the State. This was the first year that the Town received any funds from the State's Payment in Lieu of Tax Program (PILOT Program) for the hundreds of acres owned by the State along the Middlesex Fellsway. The Town was hoping to be reimbursed between $200,000 and $500,000 each year. Instead, the State only granted a disappointing $14,000 last year to compensate the Town for the property tax revenue it's losing on this valuable property.

The bottom line is that the Town's revenue growth cannot keep pace with its rising costs. The Town has not only been losing State Aid, but its ability to raise new revenues has also been limited for a variety of reasons. Unfortunately, several new revenue-generating ideas, like installing billboard signs or selling vacant Town property, have lacked the necessary support at recent Town Meetings. New growth has been minimal because certain projects that would increase property tax revenues such as Langwood Commons, 225 Fallon Road, and 55 Maple Street have met much opposition from surrounding communities as well as the State. These revenue-generating projects would help the Town deal with some of its fiscal problems without having to ask the residents for more money.

In 2006, the Board of Selectmen implemented a $150 trash fee to prevent any further programs or services from being eliminated or reduced. The alternatives would have been to close the Middle School, eliminate the school athletic program, reduce the hours of operation at the Library and Senior Center, eliminate more public safety positions that jeopardize public safety, and not maintain parks and other public property. These services and programs need to exist for Stoneham to remain as great a Town as it is. Currently, the trash fee, along with other user fees and donations appear to be the only way to fund important programs such as the Senior Center, School Athletics and the

Recreation Department. Thanks to all those individuals and businesses that have donated their time and money to keep these programs alive.

The Town is also trying to tackle its fiscal problems by looking at ways to reduce costs, especially for health insurance. The health insurance budget has been the fastest growing line item over the past few years. Health insurance costs represented approximately 6% to 7% of the budget a few years ago. Today, it represents approximately 12 % to 13% of the total budget and it will probably account for 15% of the budget after next year. The Town is continuously trying to find a way to control these costs. The Town can no longer afford to offer this benefit to employees without changing the plan design or lowering its contribution percentage rate. Health insurance will definitely be a major topic of discussion in current negotiations with all School and Town Unions. In addition, the Town has been seeking competitive bids from other health insurance providers to secure the best possible price for this benefit as well as looking into the possibility of offering the employees health insurance through the State's insurance plan.

It is also important that the Town control health insurance costs because of GASB 45. This new law requires all cities and towns show a liability on the balance sheet for future retirees' non-pension benefits (e.g. health and life insurance). This liability is expected to be a huge number comparable to the unfunded pension liability. All communities with total revenues between $10 million and $100 million must be in compliance with this new law by Fiscal Year 2009. Ron Castignetti, the Town Accountant, and Ginny Ray, the Benefits Administrator, have spent numerous hours working to gather the necessary information. Also, the Town recently hired an actuary so that the Town will be able to comply with this new law well before the deadline. Currently, GASB 45 only requires that this liability appear on the balance sheet and does not require it to be funded at the present time. However, this huge multi-million dollar liability will most likely have to be funded in the near future like the unfunded pension liability. It is important that the Town be cognizant of this liability and tries to reduce it. This additional liability on the balance sheet will most likely lower the Town's bond rating and result in higher borrowing costs.

Without a doubt, the past few years managing this Town during these difficult times have been very challenging. It has been especially difficult because some key positions (e.g. Town Planner/Grant Writer, Assistant Town Accountant, MIS Director, etc...) have been eliminated due to budget constraints. Also, there has been some department head turnover that created some voids and required special attention to sustain services through the entire transition period. Overall, I am proud of all we have accomplished with fewer resources available. It has been an enormous task just balancing the budget each year and getting the Town through some terrible financial times.

I am thankful for being given the opportunity to serve as Town Administrator. It has been a great experience and it has been very rewarding knowing I was able to help many people with many different problems. Regrettably, I am resigning as Town Administrator. I can no longer commit to working the tremendous amount of hours needed to effectively carry out all the duties and responsibilities of the Town Administrator. I am at a point in my life

where I want to spend more time with my wife raising our three young children. I do not want to look back and regret not being a part of their lives during their early years. I care deeply about this Town and I am excited that the Board of Selectmen has granted me the opportunity to return to my role as Town Accountant, a role that I assumed for eighteen years prior to being the Town Administrator. I would like nothing more than to serve in this capacity and continue to help the Town get through these hard times.

I want to thank Debbie Pettengill, Betty Luciano, and Ginny Ray for their hard work and expertise, which has greatly contributed to the success of the Town Administrator's Office. Also, I want to thank the Board of Selectmen for their support and confidence. As long as the Town has conscientious and hardworking employees and Town Officials, it will always find a way to get through these hard times.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald J. Florino
Town Administrator

ANNUAL REPORT
BOARD OF ASSESSORS

The members of the Board of Assessors are:

William Jordan	Secretary
Craig Celli	Chairman
Richard D. Mangerian	Member

The members of the office staff are:

Francis J. Golden	Director of Assessing
Diane F. Lawrence	Admin. Assessing Assistant
Michelle Meagher	Assessing Clerk

The Interim adjustments were completed for the second time during calendar year 2006. Applications for overvaluations were received during January 2006 and were reviewed by the Board members. Also all of the statutory exemptions were discussed, reviewed and approved by the members of the Board. The amounts deducted from the tax bills for those people who qualify for the exemptions are taken off the 3rd and 4th quarter bills.

The FY2007 tax rate was set in late November 2006. After a public hearing with the Board of Selectmen at which time the Assessors provided the Selectmen with the necessary information for them to decide if there should be a dual tax rate and what the percentage should be. At the public hearing the Selectmen decided to continue with the dual tax rate, and the percentage was increased to 163%. The fiscal year tax rates are $9.74 for residential and $17.15 for commercial/industrial/personal property. The total valuation of the town for FY2007 is $3,255,331,985.

COUNCIL ON AGING ANNUAL REPORT

The mission of the Stoneham Council on Aging is to provide outstanding services to seniors by welcoming all to the Senior Center, treating people with kindness, respect and dignity, offering supportive services for social, nutritional and medical needs and providing outreach to all seniors in our community.

This year, we have embarked on an exciting collaboration with Mystic Valley Elder Services entitled Project Safe. This program is designed to promote safety and independence as well as provide residents with information about the many services available to them. All Stoneham residents age 80 and older will be visited by an outreach worker who will assist them in conducting a health, safety and emergency survey. Each senior will be given a resource bag filled with emergency preparedness information, brochures and a booklet listing resources available to seniors in the Town of Stoneham. This program is supported by the Council on Aging, the housing authority, and the fire and police departments.

Our services become increasingly important as the number of seniors is rising in Stoneham. In the years 1990-2000, there was a 6.1% increase in those residents over the age of sixty. The projected change in the years 2000-2010 is 9.0% and the projected change in the years 2000-2020 is 30.7% reflecting the "baby-boomer" generation.

To better track the number of seniors who attend the Senior Center, we have installed a new software program entitled My Senior Center. This new system was purchased by the Stoneham Senior Center Assistance League and will greatly benefit our center. Each of our clients will receive a key card to check in with the system at the front desk before they begin any of their daily activities, doing away with numerous sing-in sheets and cumbersome paperwork. There is a touch screen and simply by touching the picture of the activity a person is attending it will register them for that event. This system will assist the director in the annual report to the Executive Office of Elder Affairs. This is a senior-friendly, graphical and community-driven solution for senior centers to assist the staff and effectively deliver the highest quality of service possible to our seniors.

This year we were also given approval to rent office space on the second floor of the building. The rental income generated from this space will assist us in meeting the ongoing maintenance and upkeep expenses of the building.

We continue to offer many health programs in cooperation with Winchester Hospital, Melrose-Wakefield Hospital, the Board of Health, and other agencies to bring many health related clinics, fairs, lectures, and materials to our seniors. We work closely with Mystic Valley Elder Services in identifying those seniors in need of additional services such as homecare, meals-on-wheels, protective services and nursing home placement. We also collaborate with the North Suburban Family Network, Hospice, Homecare Agencies, visiting nurse associations, local physicians, rehabilitation programs, adult day health programs, assisted living facilities, nursing homes, AARP, Veterans' services, local State and Federal officials, Mass Health, Red Cross, Executive Office of

Elder Affairs, Massachusetts Transitional Job Services, Social Security, Mental Health Organizations, local churches and schools.

This year we received a grant to provide support services for grandparents raising grandchildren. This grant is in collaboration with Mystic Valley Elder Services, Hallmark Health, North Suburban Family Network, and the Melrose Council on Aging. We provide the meeting space for a group of grandparents every other week. Childcare is provided as well as a social worker to address the many concerns this population has in raising their grandchildren. It has been a very successful program and we recently received another grant to continue for an additional year.

The Senior Center offers many activities five days per week. Classes include Yoga, Tai Chi, Quilting, Jewelry Design, Fitness, Dancing, Bridge, Cribbage, Painting, Canasta, and Chorus. In addition to the many social activities, we offer income tax preparation, health insurance counseling, attorney services, outreach, and volunteer opportunities.

The Senior Center relies heavily on a volunteer support staff. A new group of volunteers have formed a non-profit entitled the Stoneham Senior Citizen Assistance League as a fund-raising component to support our center. This group has held several fund-raising activities and hopes to do more for the center in the upcoming years. This year we were very fortunate to have a crew from the Billerica House of Correction paint the entire outside of the Senior Center. The crew worked for over a month scraping and painting and saved us thousands of dollars in estimated costs of painting our building. In addition to this project, we had a group of employees from Hallmark Health called Team Stoneham who painted our main dining room over a weekend. Again, this saved our department a great deal of money. We also have had volunteer students from Stoneham High School, Malden Catholic High School and several scout troops assist us with projects at the Senior Center.

Our strength lies with our substantial community support. The seniors of Stoneham appreciate the fine work that is done by our dedicated staff. This past year we gave over 3,000 medical rides to Stoneham seniors. The center prioritizes transportation to dialysis, chemotherapy and radiation appointments.

Our meal site continues to grow as people now have a choice of a hot or cold meal five days per week. Our lunch is now served on china with volunteer wait staff adding to the appeal of our dining program.

While word-of-mouth often tends to be the best way to advertise our services, we do publish a monthly newsletter prepared by the Director. Also, weekly press releases are printed in our local newspapers. Many of our activities are posted throughout the town as well as on the local cable television station.

The arts have played a significant role in the new activities at the center. Recently, a group of artists have set up a work area in the lower level. This group has on-going art exhibits in the lobby of the building as well as advertised showings during the year. This year we applied for an arts grant that would provide free art classes to our seniors.

The Council on Aging Board of Directors meets once a month with the director to discuss our services, mission and ways to improve services. These meetings are open to the public and are held on the third Thursday of the month.

Our Senior Center has a fine reputation of offering a myriad of services to all our seniors. From the most independent to the frailest of seniors, we work very hard to make sure we meet all their needs. We thank all our community leaders, businesses, friends, members, staff, volunteers, and especially the seniors for their continued support.

Jane Lavender, Director

FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD

The primary responsibility of the Stoneham Finance and Advisory Board is to provide background recommendations to Town Meeting voters. Secondarily, the Board is free to give advice on all matters considered by the Town. The Board is a volunteer group. To successfully complete the mission of the Finance and Advisory Board, support from the offices of the Accountant, Treasurer, Town Administrator and Board of Selectmen is essential. In 2006, the Town Clerk again stepped forward to assure a timely and proper printing of the Town Meeting Booklet. The Finance and Advisory Board extends its appreciation to all. Thank you.

If funded by a Town Meeting vote, the Finance and Advisory Board has custody of an emergency reserve fund. No reserve fund transfers were considered by the Finance Board. With stressed budgets and limited funds, all department heads and elected officials managed well with the constrained resources that Town Meeting appropriated. The town closed its fiscal 2006 year with a surplus balance of $94,839.

In fiscal 2006, the largest cost increase was $1.5M for employee and retiree health insurance. That amount was the entire general fund spending increase. Therefore, staffing and services were cut. A co-pay increase was assessed on retirees and employees to limit the fiscal 2007 health insurance cost increase, $475,000. For FY2007, Health insurance inflation represented 25% of the entire general fund spending increase.

Using $550,000 from Stabilization savings, Town Meeting voters in May approved a balanced budget of $56,861,008 for fiscal 2007. The 2007 General Fund budget lacked sufficient revenues to maintain all expected and traditional services. A trash fee was extended another year to protect library, public safety and public school needs. Supported by fees and assessments in 2006, the Recreation, Cemetery, Water, Sewer, Regional Vocational Schools and Retirement operations were better financed than operations funded by property taxes, local receipts and state aid. Not all departments were level funded. Reductions in staff occurred in the departments of the Town Accountant, Police Overtime, Public School evening custodian coverage, and the Unicorn Rink. In October, a special Town Meeting increased the general fund budget to $56,917,188. Supporting the Selectmen's recommendation, voters approved the use of surplus revenues to increase spending for IT staffing, for school media lab technicians, for secretarial support of the School and Town facilities functions, for extra hours of office support in the Planning and Appeals Boards, for cemetery laborers and for DPW Recycling overtime.

Projects completed in 2006 by the Finance and Advisory Board and then reported to the Board of Selectmen include

- review of the Fiscal Policy Guidelines as adopted in 1997 by John DeAmicis
- an audit subcommittee of Nick Stavre, Ben Caggiano, Shawn McCarthy and John DeAmicis to oversee the response to the fiscal 2005 year end audit and to initiate the fiscal 2006 year end audit
- participation at a State House rally for local aid by John Warren

- significant time and energy from Nick Stavre and Richard Gregorio invested into a Pay-As-You-Throw financial plan

Among the incomplete projects of 2006 was the draft of a town-wide capital plan and town capital by-law. The Finance Board is likely to finish this and report to the Board of Selectmen in early 2007.

In partnership with the Board of Selectmen, our state elected legislators and the Assessor, a major town milestone was achieved in 2006, receipt of a State PILOT payment. In 1890, (Yes, that is not a typo – 1890), the Commonwealth began to take residential homes along the shore of Spot Pond. Homes and Industrial properties were also taken in the village of Haywardville for a Melrose and Malden Waterworks Company. The Fiscal 2007 Cherry Sheet included a long overdue and first-ever Payment in Lieu of Taxes line item. Finance Board member Richard Gregorio helped to initiate this effort eight years ago. With this experience, town leaders are better prepared to renew efforts during the next appeal period in 2010. The sum of $14,595 is a mere fraction of what the town deserves.

The Board operated for most of the year short-handed. After Annual Town Meeting in May, members Russell Wilson, Richard Gregorio and John Bowen were re-appointed to the Board. At year end, the Town Moderator was considering Dr. James Sinclair, Andrew Gould, and Stephen Born for appointment. The Board might begin 2007 as a full eleven member board.

The bleak fiscal FY08 outlook as documented in the October Special Town Meeting by the Finance and Advisory Board has not changed. To bring expenses in line with revenues, a $2M town budget reduction is necessary; $3M if the trash fee is abolished. Sluggish state revenue growth indicates that local aid increases are unlikely. Reserves are not sufficient to help. The choices that residents will face in 2007 are clear; a property tax increase, additional user fees or more significant and deep cuts. As a result, employees and residents together will be asked to pay more to receive less. Calendar 2007 year will be the town's toughest budget challenge in memory.

STONEHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT

Acting Chief Joseph W. Rolli
2006

The Stoneham Fire Department strives for excellence in the performance of duty and service to the community and the citizens it serves. The Department is committed to finding better ways to protect the lives and property of its citizens from the ravages of fire and other disasters and is dedicated to working together for the betterment of our community.

The majority of Fire Department resources – including personnel, equipment, facilities, and support services are committed to fire suppression efforts. The basic function of fire suppression operations is that of extinguishing fires and performing related duties once a fire occurs. This, however, is not the department's only function. Throughout the year the Fire Department responds to a variety of calls for assistance. In 2006, the Fire Department responded to 3,189 calls ranging from structure fires to service calls. This figure represented a 1% increase from 2005.

A constant problem the Fire Department continues to be faced with is the ability to operate effectively due to reduced levels of personnel. Reduced personnel, increase in properties to be protected, and an increase in all types of request for assistance, has pushed the efficiency of the Fire Department to a break point level. During the year the Fire Department had the following staffing levels available to respond to emergencies:

8 Personnel	17%
7 Personnel	55%
6 Personnel	28%

These staffing levels are disturbing because it takes 8 personnel or more to respond with 3 pieces of apparatus, the absolute minimum that should respond to structure fires (12 or more personnel is the minimum standard). 17% of the year, 3 pieces of apparatus were staffed, while the other 83% of the time, 2 pieces of apparatus were available.

Some of the staffing can be attributed to the fact that 4,458 hours were lost to injured personnel and 930 hours were lost due to personnel commitments to the military.

The Fire Department has relied upon its mutual aid partners to assist in many emergency calls. Stoneham Fire Department is a member of the Massachusetts Metro Fire District (Metro Fire). Metro Fire is an association of 33 communities plus the Massport (Logan Airport) Fire Department. The association was formed for the purpose of updating, expanding, and controlling mutual aid in the area, and to act as a common entity for exploring and improving management activities and fire protection operations in the region. Metro Fire encompasses the Boston metropolitan area within Route 128 perimeter.

The Fire Prevention office is dedicated to providing the citizens the safest possible environment in which to live. Education, Prevention, Inspection and Detection are all critical areas of expertise that, when combined with a strong code enforcement application, can provide a fire safe community. The Fire Prevention office brought $49,045.06 to the town coffers through the permitting/master box fee process.

The Fire Department received a total of $38,152.16 in various grants throughout the year.

A special thanks go out to Secretary Ann Burnham, the foundation of the Stoneham Fire Department. It is the secretaries of all Fire Departments that make them run as smoothly as possible.

Deputy Chief James Halpin and Firefighter Ed Manuel retired during the year.

In closing, I would like to thank all the members of the Stoneham Fire Department for their unselfish effort towards their profession.

STATISTICS

SUPPRESSION:

Structure Fires	47
Brush/Outside Fires	18
Motor Vehicle Fires	12
Motor Vehicle Accidents	361
Fire Alarm/Suppression System Activations	392
Investigations (smoke, gas, electric, etc.)	211
Power Lines Down (including cable & phone)	141
Medical Aids	1586
Mutual Aid	84
Carbon Monoxide	46
Lock-Out	49
Assist Police	19
Public Assistance	39
Service Calls	65
Water Problems	45
Animal Problems	10
Elevator Emergencies	20
Good Intent	35
Haz-Mat	3
Lightening Strikes	6
TOTAL	**3189**

PREVENTION:

Smoke Detector Permits	260
Oil Burner Permits	59
Sprinkler Permits	12
Propane Permits	27
Fire Alarm Systems	42
Tank Removal/Replacement	58
Tank Truck Inspections	16
Flammable Fluid Storage	1
Cutting/Welding Permits	2
Storage Tank	2
Acetylene	1
Quarterly	60
Liquor License	20
Victualler License	39
Schools	12
TOTAL	**611**

STONEHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT 2006

Chief Lawrence Lamey

Deputy Chief James Halpin — Secretary Ann Burnham

Fire Prevention	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
Capt. J. Rolli	Capt. S. Webber	Capt. J. McLaughlin	Capt. E. Regan	Capt. D. Griffin
Lt. A. Minotti	Lt. M. Chabak	Lt. J. Marshall	Lt. R. Dunphy	Lt. F. Gould
	FF J. Scullin	FF B. McMahon	FF E. Manuel	FF D. Bettencourt
	FF P. Kearney	FF M. O'Sullivan	FF F. Brown	FF W. McNulty
	FF J. Galla	FF S. Greenleaf	FF J. Cryan	FF S. Verhault
	FF P. Dockery	FF C. Humber	FF M. Grafton	FF P. McIntyre
	FF A. Riggillo	FF J. McLaughlin Jr.	FF M. Mayo	FF J. Petrillo
	FF S. Fitzgerald	FF M. Labriola	FF M. Rexrode	FF E. Bernat

STONEHAM FIRE DEPARTMENT MOTORIZED EQUIPMENT

ENGINE ONE: 2001 American LaFrance Eagle 1,250 gpm pump.
ENGINE FOUR: 1989 Emergency One 1,000 gpm pump
ENGINE FIVE: 1986 Pirsch 1,000 gpm pump.
LADDER ONE: 1995 Emergency One Quint. Equipped with a 100 ft. heavy duty ladder and a 1,250 gpm pump.
CAR ONE: 2002 Ford Explorer
CAR TWO: 1997 Ford Crown Victoria
CAR THREE: 1997 Ford Explorer
CAR FOUR: 2005 Ford F350 Crew Cab
CAR FIVE: 2001 Ford F450 with a Versa-lift bucket
RESCUE BOAT: 2000 15 foot Boston Whaler with a 40hp Mercury outboard

METRO FIRE
RUNNING CARD

STONEHAM

Alarm	Engines Resp.			Ladders Resp.			Station Coverage	
1st	StoE1			StoL1			StoE4	StoE5
2nd	StoE4	REA		WIN			MEL	
3rd	MEL	WAK					WIN	
4th	WIN	WOB					MED	N.REA
5th	MAL	BURL	ARL	MAL				
6th	SAU	SOM	EVE	MED				
7th	LEX	LYN	BOS	SOM				
8th	SOM	BEL	WAL	LYN				
9th	REV	CAMB	CHE	CAMB				
10th	WEST	WANT	LYN	WAL				

BOARD OF HEALTH
HEALTH DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT 2006

The mission of the Board of Health is to educate, promote, improve and protect the health and well being of the citizens of Stoneham, while contributing to building a healthy community and environment in which to live. According to the Town's Bylaws, State and Federal Laws, the Board of Health is under a dutiful obligation to develop and implement health policies, standards, bylaws and regulations.

BOARD:

The Board of Health is comprised of three (3) elected officials; these positions are three-year terms with one member being elected annually. The members consist of Benedict J. DiRusso, Jr. Chairman, and John J. Scullin Vice-Chairman. Traci A. Mello, a resident of Stoneham, is our newest member of the Board of Health. She occupies the position of Secretary. Ms. Mello is also a consultant with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. She brings much experience and knowledge to the department.

The Board of Health holds meetings each month. Additional meetings are scheduled if required.

The members of the Board of Health held ten (10) meetings this year. Besides being proactive with public health issues and the rules and regulations, the Board decided on the following items:

2 Hearings: Pandemic Flu
1 Hearings; MGL, Article II, Minimum Standards of Fitness for Human Habitation;
2 Hearings under Bylaw Chapter 20, Article VI Dumpster Regulations;
3 Hearings: MGL, Article X Minimum Sanitation Standards for Food Establishments;
1 Hearing under Bylaws Chapter 20, Article X Tobacco Control Regulations:

The Board will continue to be proactive within the community.

Agent/Director Robert F. Bracey has been with the Board since March of 2003. He came with extensive knowledge in Public Health. He has served as an Inspector for the City of Cambridge for the 7 years prior to taking the position in Stoneham. He was the Town Agent in Winchester, Tyngsborough for the last 4 years.

Support staff includes:

Robert F. Bracey	Health Agent / Director
Margaret Drummey, RN	Public Health Nurse
Patti McDonough, RN	Public Health Nurse
Denise F. Breen	Office Assistant
Karyn C. Incatasciato	Office Assistant

HEALTH AGENT/DIRECTOR

Under the direction of and on behalf of the Board of Health, the Health Agent/Director is responsible for maintaining the day-to-day operations of the department. The Agent/Director also keeps The Chairman of The Board of Health updated on a daily basis and works closely with the Town Administrator other Department Heads within the town. The Health Agent/Director enforces of local, state, and federal regulations pertaining to the general public health, safety, and environment. This division inspects food service establishments, public and semi-public swimming pools; massage establishments, tanning establishments, dumpsters, minimum standards for human habitation and housing. This division is also responsible for investigating nuisances, environmental and sanitation issues and responsible for providing educational materials.

The Health Agent/Director received and investigated 57 complaints:
The following is a break down of the investigated complaints in individual categories.

Air Pollution	00	Animal	01
Dumpster	06	Food Borne Illness	02
Food Service	08	Hazardous Waste	01
Housing	12	Miscellaneous	07
Noise	01	Odor	03
Rodents	04	Rubbish	07
Sanitation	05		

Besides the 57 complaint investigations, the Health Agent performed 710 inspections; follow up inspections and court appearances.

Food Service Routine	120
Food Service Follow up	55
Housing and Follow-up	226
Miscellaneous & Follow-up Inspections	309
Total	710

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (DPH) continues to add responsibilities to local Boards of Health. Additionally these tasks add to an already over burdened local Health Department and its staff. With these added responsibilities the Health Agent has continued to provide various training programs by utilizing shared programming. With the limited staffing and funding in the Board of Health, shared programs are cost effective and work well to establish twice as many opportunities for our communities to maintain high operating standards and procedures.

As of October 1, 2001, each food service establishment is required to employ a certified food manager on site at all times. On May 31, 2005, those same establishments were required to take a refresher course in food service. This certification and refresher course confirms that a food service establishment understands prevention methods for safe handling and cooking procedures.

Under the regulations for food service establishments, it is a requirement that restaurants employ a person who is trained in Food Manager Certification and be on site at all times. It is also a requirement that establishments with 25 seats or more be trained in Choke Save. The office would like to thank the

Emergency Medical Services Division of the Fire Department for their continued support to this department.

The Department of Public Health (DPH) continues to mandate local Board of Health with more and more responsibilities without supplying any funding resources.

The Health Agent/Director sits as an active member of the Site Plan Committee; this committee consists of department heads, which review site plans. Recommendations and/or requirements are discussed with applicant prior to the Board of Selectmen site plan meeting. By taking this extra step with the applicant, the requirements are clarified and discussed, thus making the process easier for the applicant. The Health Agent also sits on the Stoneham Emergency Management Team.

This committee has formed a model project group and has been taking a gentler way to approach neighborhood code violations. A representative from the Board of Health, Building and Fire Departments have been working together listening to the residents and businesses owners to solve neighborhood problems of non-compliance with pertinent regulations. The committee has met with the business owners and residents, have inspected the area, and have been working on solving the infractions. Most of the health infractions have been corrected with the major facilities working on the correction process.

The Board of Health office recommends the residents of Stoneham protect themselves from mosquitoes (during dusk and dawn hours) and remove any harborage of mosquitoes, i.e. stagnant water.

In August of 2006, the Health Agent assumed the responsibilities of Animal Control Officer. The Agent intends to educate and serve the residents pertaining to their pet's health and welfare.

Public Health changes with the seasons and circumstances making educating the general public of the risks surrounding each circumstance an extremely important aspect of Public Health. The Health Agent/Director maintains an open door policy and encourages all residents and businesses owners' needing assistance to contact the office.

The Health Agent/Director along with the Board of Health *proposed departmental goals* for the upcoming year are as follows:

- Increase the presence and involvement of the Board in the community utilizing the media and on-site education;
- Increase community programming and services;
- Establish sufficient staffing to meet the demands of the department.
- Continue to be proactive in helping new establishments, businesses and property owners within our community; and
- Maintain a high standard of safety by promoting the philosophy of the Board of Health mission statement.

OFFICE ASSISTANTS:

The office assistant is an extremely important position. This position maintains databases and prepares all permits, licenses, and accounts payable/receivable for approval. It provides a variety of complex clerical and administrative duties in a confidential manner and with an eye for detail. In addition, this position transcribes the minutes of the Board's monthly meetings, and composes correspondence as directed. They assemble and prepare a variety of reports for the Health Agent, Public Health Nurses, and Board as needed. All the above is provided to this office on a limited part time basis.

Ms. Karyn Incatasciato, Office Assistant started with the Department early in 2001. Ms. Breen started late in 2000. Both Ms. Incatasciato and Ms. Breen have continued the high standards this office has sent forth. Both have gone through six years of learning a department with many facets while maintaining the highest quality of departmental standards. They both also continue to display the professionalism, courtesy and knowledge that is needed and expected to serve the residents of Stoneham.

These positions are responsible for collecting permits fees and collected $ 59161.40

The following is an individual breakdown of categories of permit issued by this department.

Animals	3
Canteen (mobile) Trucks	4
Disposal Contractors	36
Dumpster Permits, Long Term	269
Dumpster permits Short Term	101
Food Services and Retail	153
Funeral Directors	3
Housing Fitness	169
Infectious Waste	1
Massage Establishments	3
Massage Therapist	4
Recreational Camps	1
Septic Haulers	4
Swimming Pools	14
Tanning Establishments	3
Temporary Food Service	42
Tobacco Permits	23
Total permits issued	833

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES:

The roles and responsibilities of the public health nurse (PHN) are comprehensive involving every individual and constituency in the community from infants to seniors, from municipal and corporate employees to private citizens. PHNs are a vital resource for local boards of health because they possess the professional training, local knowledge and clinical experience to

identify problems, develop regulations and policies to implement programs. (Nursing Spectrum, Nov 99). In addition to screenings, clinics and vaccine distribution, the PHN provides many other vitally important services to their community.

They provide anonymous information and instruction on a wide range of issues ranging from sexually transmitted diseases to lice. They also provide counseling and resource assistance to Stoneham residents, i.e. assisting elderly access to the health care systems, referring families to Women Infant and Children supplemental food program and the Children's Medical Security Plan, and refer clients to visiting nurse services when appropriate. PHN collaborate with the school nurses regarding clinics and community health care concerns, as well as serving as health care consultants for private schools in Stoneham and make home visits to assess and provide services as needed.

49 Reportable Diseases Investigated	
Campylobacter	4
Salmonella	7
Lyme disease	3
Pertussis	2
Hepatitis A	0
Hepatitis B	6
Hepatitis C	1
Giardiasis	2
Varicella	1
E. coli 0157:H7	1
Group B/A Strep	1/0
Streptococcal pneumonia	2
Cryptosporidiosis	2
Babesiosis	0
Haemophilis influenza	1
Legionellosis	0
Meningitis viral	5
Meningitis other	0
Shingellosis	1
Latent Tuberculosis	5
Fifth Disease	0
Monthly Blood Pressure Clinic:	
Clients seen at clinic	362
Home/office visits	253
Total	615
Hepatitis B Clinics:	
Fire/Police/Miscellaneous	12
Immunizations Other:	36
Mantoux Testing:	66

Influenza Clinics:

Client seen at clinics/home/office	1361+
Homebound patients treated annually:	64
Vaccine Distribution:	
Total doses	5003

Hepatitis B Vaccination:

Hepatitis B is available from the Department of Public Health therefore we are able to offer the three dose vaccine series to municipal safety personnel and clients requesting the series.

Meningococcal Vaccination:

Meningococcal disease is a very virulent disease that affects adults and children every year. The disease is particularly prevalent in the collage population especially with those that live in dormitories. The disease presents itself with flu like symptoms but can progress to coma or death in hours. The meningococcal vaccine can protect students from many but not all forms of the disease. The Meningococcal Conjugate vaccine was made mandatory in 2005 (MGL Ch. 76, s.15D) for new students at residential schools (boarding schools) with grades 9-12 and new full and part time, undergraduate and graduate students in degree granting programs at postsecondary institutions (college) that provide or license housing. The vaccine, Menactra is offered through primary care physicians and clinics.

Influenza Clinics:

This year the state distributed the flu doses in several allocations causing a delay to the start of our annual Flu Clinic. A total of 5870 doses of vaccine were received of which 3870 were distributed to physicians within the town who are enrolled in the vaccine provider program. The Board of Health nurse with the support of numerous nursing volunteers held two flu clinics at the Town Hall on November 20th and November 21st. The Public Health nurse held the remaining influenza clinics at the Board of Health office every Monday from 9 am to 12 am for a total of 3 clinics during the month of December. Any requests for flu vaccine during the months of January and February, 2007 were encouraged per MDPH. With the help of several dedicated volunteers including School Nurses and Retired Public Health Nurses, we administered approximately 1361+ doses of flu vaccine at these clinics. There were over 60 homebound senior clients that received flu vaccine.

Diabetic Teaching:

The Public Health Nurses will continue to conduct educational teaching and demonstrations by appointment only.

Mantoux Testing (Tuberculosis):

The public health nurses are mandated by law to inform DPH of the positive PPDs. A new template has been formatted by the TB division of DPH which is the LTB form. When a client presents with a positive PPD, we will then discuss the options of a specific clinic in the area and help coordinate the initial appointment for follow up testing and medication if necessary. We provide

PPD testing to residents of Stoneham for a nominal fee of $5.00. The majority of the people being tested are low risk but work in the health care field.

An Epi Pen training class was presented to St. Patrick's School staff in October.

Visit the Purpose School for yearly Health Care Consultant Agreement.

NURSES' YEAR IN REVIEW

Once again this has been a year of change for the nurses. Patti McDonough, RN was hired as our new part-time Public Health Nurse. She brings to our Department her expertise in business management. We were sorry to see Traci Mello, RN resign her position as part-time Public Health Nurse. She played a huge role in our local emergency planning issues. Another big change this year was our move from the Senior Center to the Town Hall. This was a good move as it gives the Community a central local for all departments serving the Town. Prioritizing is still a must as we seek to explore ways to expand our role and yet still meet the daily required tasks of the office. The nurses continue to have active membership with the Northeast chapter of Public Health Nurses. A collaborative relationship still exists with all the school nurses.

The Hepatitis A Vaccine Program offered to all Food Establishments in the community has completed its second round of vaccine. The Program will continue to be offered to all food handlers and all are encouraged to sign up. The benefits far out weigh the risks.

Stroke is the third leading cause of death in the United States and the leading cause of adult disability. The Public Heath Nurses offered "Stroke Heroes Act Fast" a program presented at the Senior Center to raise awareness of the signs and symptoms of stroke.

An In-Service Seminar was held at the Fuller House. The topic was the importance of hand washing. Handouts, interactive discussion with staff and use of Glow lite teaching tool were used.

The Public Health Nurses and the School Nurses continue working together in a collaborative effort to keep Stoneham healthy. A Health Class was taught to the Middle School 6th grade boys and girls for two weeks in the Spring. A continuing effort of communication between Schools and the Board of Health is primary.

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The nurses continued to be involved in local emergency planning issues, which propose plans in the event of any public health crisis. The Mystic Valley Coalition has been formed with the following cities and towns, Stoneham, Medford, Malden, Melrose and Wakefield. The meetings are held at the Medford town hall once a month. Other municipalities such as the fire, police, public works and school departments all play an integral role in this planning.

A successful Town Day was enjoyed by the community. In keeping with our emergency planning issues the Nurses presented a table encouraging readiness in case of disaster.

Public Health nurses continue to mentor nursing students during the spring semester. The schools which currently utilize the Stoneham Board of Health are Emmanuel College and Salem State.The Stoneham Independent and the Stoneham Sun are both utilized for public notices on Health Awareness articles. Summer health issues and current health topics have been published.

The nurses also have attended various seminars on immunization updates, surveillance updates, tuberculosis, communicable/infectious diseases and vaccine safety in order to maintain a high standard of practice and quality assurance. A Public Health nurse will regularly attend the monthly Public Nurse meetings along with the annual Conference of Pubic Health Nurses.

The office continues to be audited once a year by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health regarding proper vaccine storage and distribution. The Board of Health successfully completed the audit without any deficiencies noted.

PROPOSED PLANS FOR 2007-

- Continue to educate the citizens of Stoneham regarding public health issues.
- Continue to collaborate with other health and safety professionals in our community regarding emergency preparedness.
- Utilize the nursing staff in the best possible way for maintaining public health for the residents of Stoneham.
- Encourage the food establishments in the community to participate in the Hepatitis A Program.
- Utilize Cable Access Channel and the news media to promote Health Awareness.

Stoneham Historical Commission

The Stoneham Historical Commission is a seven member board mandated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and appointed by the Board of Selectmen for a term of three years. Its main objective is to help identify and preserve those buildings and/or areas that are historically and architecturally significant to our Town. The current members are Chairman Stephen E. Rotondi, Vice Chairman Christopher Willard, Treasurer David Armato, Secretary Marcia Wengen, Joan Quigley, Joanne diMambro and Carol Nickerson.

Our twenty-ninth year in existence started out short-handed due to 3 on going vacancies on the Commission. Fortunately, by the end of they year, we wee up to full strength. Carol Nickerson was appointed to fill the unexpired term of a member who resigned in 205 and whose term expires April 30, 2007. Joan Quigley and Joanne DiMambro were appointed to fill two vacancies created when two members left at the end of their terms in April 2005.

The Commission continued working on its web site www.stonehamhistoricalcommission.us and is attempting to integrate it with the Town's website.

In May 2006, the Commission awarded its annual Heritage Award to Helen and Norma Lister and posthumously to their brother Robert Lister. It was awarded in recognition of their long years of efforts to preserve Stoneham's history and in particular for adding a preservation restriction to the deed of their 1840's Greek Revival house at 342 William Street when It was sold in November 2005. Also in May, the Commission, in celebration of Historic Preservation Month, co-sponsored with the Stoneham Historical Society a lecture by Alan Seaburg. He is the brother f the late Carl Seaburg, the author of the book "Frederic Tudor, Ice King". It recalls the development of the ice harvesting business in Stoneham and the surrounding area.

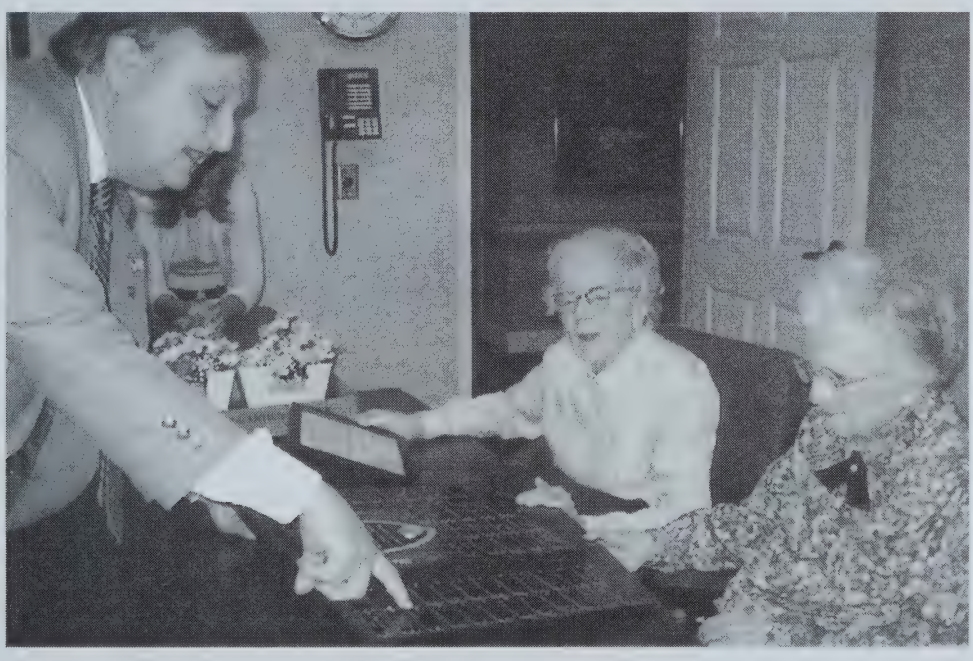
In anticipation of a $200,000 grant from the Commonwealth to be used towards restoration work on the Fire Station, the Commission wrote to the Fire Chief in June offering our help and support. We never received a reply. The grant was approved in July. Grants of this type are usually for 3 years, but for whatever reason, this particular grant had a 1 year deadline. Unfortunately, the Commission was unaware and did not find out until early 2007, that to qualify for the grant there needs to be a preservation restriction on the deed. This gives the Massachusetts Historical commission oversight on any work done to the structure to ensure its architectural and historical integrity. The restriction stays on the deed even f the building is sold. The addition of a preservation restriction on the deed requires a vote by Town Meeting. The Commission is attempting to see if an extension can be granted or the funds encumbered before the grant expires June 30, 2007.

In September, the Commission had its customary booth at Town Day. On display were a number of pictures of the Old Burial Ground with a commentary of cemetery symbolism in the 18th and 19th century.

In October, the Commission continued its program of donating books to the Public Library. The 5 books donated this year were Historic Preservation: An Introduction to Its History, Principles and Practices, How Buildings Learn: What Happens After They're Built, A field Guide to American Houses, House by Mail: A Guide to Houses From Sears, Roebuck and Company, and The Houses That Sears Built.

The Commission voted in November that the construction of a 100' telecommunications monopole along Fellsway West would have no adverse effect on historic properties and notified the Massachusetts Historical Commission of its position.

The Commission has been working on a plan to do a definitive inventory of the Old Burying Ground. We have been talking with the Boy and Girl Scouts to see if they would be interested in taking on the project. The Commission is also working on the production of a program for Stoneham Cable TV. The program will focus on individuals who were important in the history of Stoneham.



The Historical Commission presented its 2006 Heritage Award to Norma, Helen and their late brother Robert Lister for their exceptional contributions to preservation and awareness of Stoneham's historical legacy. Stephen Rotondi, Historical Commission Chairman, shows the plaque that is permanently on display at the Library to Helen Lister (left) and her sister Norma. Helen is holding the certificate of appreciation that was awarded to them on May 26, 2006.

Members of the Stoneham Historical Commission presented Mary Todd, Public Library director, with a collection of historical preservation books including two on the Sears, Roebuck & Co. ready-to-assemble houses that were popular from 1908 to 1940. The books will be kept in the Stoneham Room and can be borrowed. In front are Stephen Rotondi and Mary Todd. Behind them from left to right are Marcia Wengen, Christopher Willard, David Armato and Joan Quigley.

Stoneham Historical Society

36 William Street
Stoneham, MA 02180-3845

Since 1922 the Stoneham Historical Society has been in existence and has been dedicated to the preservation of the rich history of Stoneham. From its beginning as early settlers explored this once rugged area as an extension of Charlestown, to its incorporation as a town in 1725, to its growth during the Industrial Revolution as a "Shoe Town", to development of other industries as pharmaceuticals, and box manufacturers, and to present day; Stoneham has been growing in leaps and bounds. The Society operates as a 501© 2 non-profit organization, whose headquarters at 36 William Street House a museum, meeting house, and an authentic "shoe House" - The Ten Footer.

The Stoneham Historical Society is comprised of a dedicated group of volunteers who share a love of history and work toward preserving it for future generations. Our mission is to study the history of the Town of Stoneham, to collect and preserve artifacts and bout Stoneham and to educate the public about our rich past.

During this past year, our event committee presented a wide variety of speakers who gave us a peek into the past. The monthly meetings which are open to members and the general public happen on the 2nd Thursday during October, November, March and April and May. They included:

- The Bay State Box Factory - Then and Now - former president Frank St. Albino gave an in-depth talk on the former Pleasant Street plant and its operations. Mr. St. Albino started at the company as a salesman and moved to the top; he explained that the employees made the company the success that is was. They were the company.
- E.L. Patch Co. - Famous Pharmaceuticals on Montvale Ave - Stoneham resident Frank Pignone spoke of the many pharmaceuticals made here in Stoneham that achieved national notoriety.
- Dr. Alan Seaburg - The Ice King: Frederick Tudor and His circle - Tales of ice harvesting from local ponds such as Spot Pond were brought to life at this meetings. This collaborative effort between the Historical Commission and the Society celebrated Preservation Month in May.
- Mike Ryan, Chairman of Friends of the Fells - History, Legacy, Renovation of the Tudor Bar described the major project undertaken to renovate and preserve the Tudor Barn on the Fells - A preservation "success story".
- Jack Bracciotti - Reminiscing about Bracciotti'[s Pharmacy and Stoneham Square - a trip down memory lane for many people.

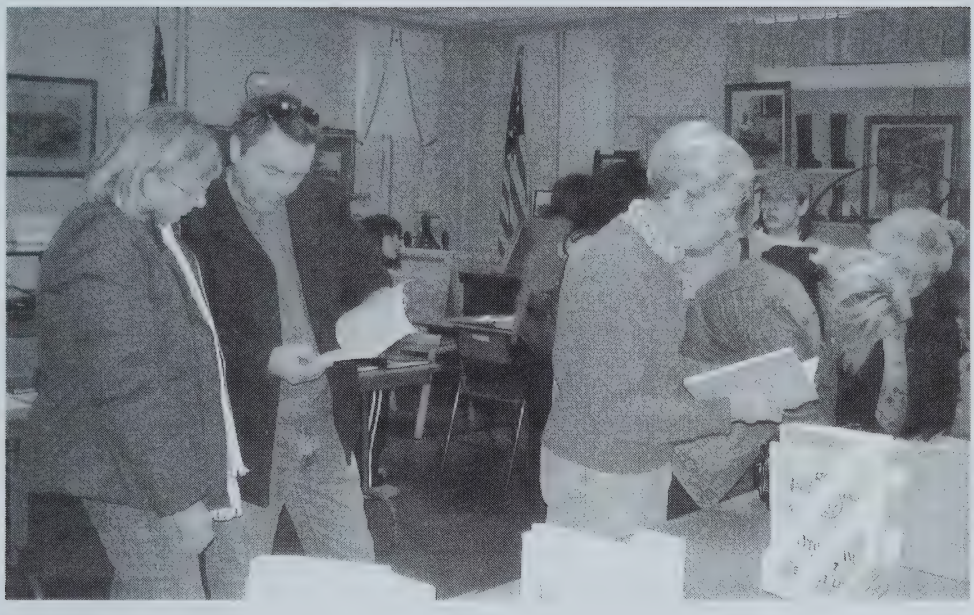
In keeping with the Society's mission to educate, the over-popular Grade 3 program "Tools of History" continues to thrive. A collaborative effort between dedicated teachers, parents and Society volunteers brought the history of early Stoneham alive to third graders during field trips to the Museum in May. "Grandmother's Kitchen" is always a popular exhibit. Research Your Home Day, on the 1st Saturday of February still continues to intrigue the local residents.

Guests research the histories of the homes. A special thank you to all the volunteers and members of the Society whose dedication and hard work help the Society to fulfill its mission. Membership is open to all. Information about the Stoneham Historical Society can be found on our website www.rootsweb.com/~mashs, in newsletters, Stoneham Sun and Stoneham Independent.

"Pride in Our Past; Faith in Our future"

Submitted by Donna Weiss, President Stoneham Historical Society

"The Bay State Box Factory" - Then & Now - a presentation given by President Frank St. Albin. Frank and his wife Dottie (Center) are surrounded by family and former employees Irene Cain and Mary & Peter Minghella.



Volunteers Sue Doucette and Marian Towse assist guests research their homes on Research Your Home Day at the Museum.

The Ten Footer symbol of Stoneham's past connections with the shoe industry, preserved at the Stoneham Historical Society grounds at 36 William Street.

OPEN SPACE AND RECREATION

The following eight members are appointed by the Board of Selectmen for the Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee for a term of three years: Chairman, Dennis Visconti, Vice Chairperson, Maureen Houghton, Secretary, Denise Healy, Chris Abreu, Therese DiBlasi, Stephen McDonough, James Sarno and Stephen Sylvester. Full-time Recreation employees are Rick Arzillo, Golf Course & Municipal Parks/Grounds Superintendent, Christine DelRossi, Recreation Program Coordinator and Lou Chiulli, Arena Manager.

The Open Space and Recreation Advisory Committee are committed to provide quality Recreation for the citizens of the Town of Stoneham. We wish to remind the citizens of the Town to visit the facilities and share in our pride.

Stoneham Recreation organizes a variety of recreation programs throughout the year for residents of all ages. Flyers are distributed through the schools, library and by mail. Registration is first come, first serve. Programs with low enrollment are canceled.

May, 2006 Town Meeting approved to zero (0) Fund Recreation Department 542.
Warrant Article 10 was voted that the Town reauthorize the revolving fund that was voted under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through registration fees and other revenues for Recreation Programs to pay the costs of the Recreation program and related expenses, and authorize expenditures by the Recreation Program Coordinator, not to exceed $200,000 during Fiscal Year 2007 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2006 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving Account.
Majority Vote Required. Passes Unanimous

2006 STONEHAM ARENA

Having completed my first year as the Arena Manager, I have utilized my 20 years in the industry to bring some welcome changes to the Stoneham Arena. Instead of painting the rink floor, I implemented a process of ice painting that has brought more light to the Arena. A new scoreboard has been installed due to the generous donation from Stoneham Bank who is also responsible for the landscaping in front of Stoneham Arena. After an energy audit, the Arena qualified for rebates which ultimately paid for the entire project. A special "Thank you" should be extended to Chuck DeCoste for arranging the audit that provided the savings to the Town of Stoneham. New efficient lighting has been installed throughout the facility.

Spring, summer and fall revenues have increased due to securing a contract with Hockey North who has made Stoneham Arena their home. Hockey North is an independent High School League that has been in existence for many years and is run by two Stoneham Residents. Also new to Stoneham Arena is the Boston Jr. Blackhawk's Team is a Junior A League team.

The Learn to Figure Skate Club and Stoneham Figure Skating Club are still the two major figure skating clubs as well as Stoneham Youth Hockey that runs the Midget, Mites and Squirt levels and an instructional hockey programs.

In addition to Stoneham High Schools Boys and Girls teams and Matignon Boys Team, the Austin Prep Girls, Beverly Girls and Matignon Girls Teams have made Stoneham Arena their "Home Arena".

After several years of being vacant, the Stoneham Arena Pro Shop has been contracted to Mike Keogh and is being operated under the name of Sharper Edge. For hours and information, please call Mike at 781-789-2053.

Receipts from Public Skating and Stick Practice have exceeded the previous year. In addition, our Sunday Public Skating has more than doubled the previous year. The web site has been an excellent addition as more individuals are aware of our existence, location and hours. Public skating hours are Monday through Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m. and Sundays (November through April) are 4:00 p.m. to 5:50 p.m. Stick Practice is held Monday through Friday from 12:00 noon to 1:50 p.m. Pre School lessons are held on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. Adult group lessons are also held on Tuesday and/or Wednesday mornings.

Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) games are held at Stoneham Arena. Due to impressive and organized games that were held last year, the MIAA has doubled the number of State Tournament games that will be held at Stoneham Arena. The capacity and location of Stoneham Arena is an added feature for the MIAA State Tournament games.

This season, the Arena has been selected and is honored to be the host Arena for the Massachusetts Hockey Association Sectional Squirt Hockey Tournament.

For additional information regarding our facility, please check the website at www.stoneham-ma.gov/arena.

Submitted by Lou Chiulli, Arena Manager

2006 UNICORN AND STONEHAM OAKS GOLF COURSES

We proceeded with the golf season by opening Unicorn Golf Course on March 9, 2006 and Stoneham Oaks on March 31, 2006. Carl Marchio and Ken Pratt the on site P.G.A. professionals at Unicorn and Stoneham Oaks provided lessons and golf clinics throughout the season. Record Breaking rain for 2006 greatly affected golf rounds throughout the season. The Unicorn Golf Course was utilized for the Stoneham Youth Basketball Tournament in July and the Stoneham Middle School had a tournament at the Stoneham Oaks Golf Course in June. The season closed for play on December 15, 2006.

Submitted by Rick Arzillo, Golf Superintendent

RECREATION PROGRAMS (542)

Following is a list of activities/services that were provided to the citizens of Stoneham in 2006:

Field Permits

Use of Recreation Park Field House
Open Parks Program
Recreation Tennis Lessons
Fall After School Drama Club

Winter After School Drama Club
High School Men's Soccer
High School Women's Soccer
Spartan Sports Club 2006
Men's Over 30 Fall Basketball League

Men's Over 30 Winter Basketball League

Kids Just Love Crafts (ages 2-4)

Open Gym Basketball Program

Major League Spring Soccer Clinics
Major League Summer Soccer Camps
Spartan Soccer School
Softball Pitching Clinic with Christine Carr
Basketball Clinic for Saint Patrick's School

Jr. Golf League at Stoneham Oaks Golf Course
Adventure Club Program
Top Secret Science Programs
Golf Lessons at Mount Hood
Summer - World Record Track and Field
Girls Volleyball Clinic

Skyhawks Programs

Basketball
Snag Golf Lessons
Mini-hawk (baseball, basketball, soccer)
Tiny-hawk (baseball, basketball, soccer)
Mighty-hawk (baseball, basketball, soccer)
Multi-Sport (baseball, basketball, soccer)
Tennis Lessons
Volleyball
Soccer
Baseball

Programs that were offered but canceled due to low enrollment: Her Hockey Program, Girls Field Hockey, Summer Drama Club, Write Start Workshop, Top Secret Science December School Vacation Program.

Youth Sports Organizations

In 2006 the following sports organizations used the town fields for programs for residents. These organizations are organized by parent volunteers: Pop Warner Football & Cheerleading, Stoneham Little League, Stoneham Youth Softball Association and Stoneham Soccer Club.

GRATITUDE:

- The Recreation Department would like to give special thanks to the Department of Public Works and the School Department for their assistance and cooperation during the course of the year.
- Thank you to Liz Arno for volunteering to teach the Fall & Winter After School Drama Club program to Middle School Students.
- Thank you to Recreation Chairman Dennis Visconti for assisting with the Men's Over 30 Basketball League and helping with the softball pitching clinic.

- I would like to thank the seasonal staff and coaches for working for the Recreation Department in offering safe and fun programs for Stoneham Residents.
- Thanks to David Harrington for his dedication, time and hard work with funding the Open Park Program.
- Thanks to Sharon Iovanni at the Chamber of Commerce for her support.
- I would like to personally thank Stoneham Residents for their support and participation over the years. It is a pleasure to serve a wonderful community.
- An extra special thank you to the businesses, residents, teachers, School Administrators Selectmen, Town Employees and volunteer parents who assisted with the March Basketball Fundraiser held at Stoneham High School Gymnasium on Thursday, March 16, 2006.

Donations & Sponsors:

- A special thanks to **Stoneham Bank** who sponsored the Open Gym Basketball Program for High School & Middle School Students for $3,000.
- A special thanks to the O'Keefe Family for their donations throughout the years in memory of Recreation Committee Member Robert O'Keefe, Jr. and his father Robert O'Keefe, Sr.

A special thanks to the following that made donations:

Stoneham Bank $3,000 Open Gym Basketball Program
Stoneham Ford $100
Dave Harrington, Sr. $2,500 Open Park Program
Joseph Gresci $50 & notebooks
Stoneham Bank $2,500 Open Park Program
Robert Powers $50
Weiss Farm $2,000 Open Park Program
Ronald Castignetti $50
M.E.L.D. Center $1000 Open Park Program
Patricia Dale, Open Park $32
Marty's Catering $500
Brian Healey, Drama $25
Stoneham Youth Softball $500
Paula Starve, Drama $25
Ferrante Tile $300
Joy Nk Deguzman, Drama $25
Stoneham Pop Warner Football, I pod ($200)
Pauline Marchant, Drama $25
Our Lady of Nazareth Academy $150
Charlie & Wendy Smith $25
Charles Houghton $100
Anonymous donation $20
Expertees/Mike Sarmanian – Tee Shirts
Terri Ghannam, office supplies

Fundraisers:

- Basketball Fundraiser
- Texas Hold'em Sponsored by **Stoneham Marconi Club**
- BJ'S Membership
- Town Day

Christine DelRossi, Recreation Program Coordinator

Annual Report of the Stoneham Planning Board - 2006

The Stoneham Planning Board met seventeen times and conducted eighteen public hearings during 2006. Eight special permits were granted and two new subdivisions were approved. Eight plans were endorsed Approval Not Required under the Subdivision Control Law. Hearings were held and recommendations made on five Zoning Bylaw Warrant Articles. In addition, members participated in the Business Climate Committee, Wireless Facility Taskforce and other joint meetings.

The Board faces many challenges that will continue to be in the forefront of planning efforts in the community. Most business and residential development in Stoneham can be classified as infill in otherwise mature districts and neighborhoods. The Board is always committed to recognizing the rights of those seeking to develop their property while protecting the legitimate concerns of abutting properties.

The Board acted upon several projects that focused on the boundaries between various residential and commercial uses. The Board continued to monitor and participate in activities with State Agencies, which, perhaps at a slower pace than contemplated by the Town or the Board, advance the redevelopment of the former Boston Regional Medical Center Site now called Langwood Commons. Other major projects remained in process due largely to the proponents themselves taking the opportunity to work with the Town and the Board to rethink and redesign projects that have already been submitted to the Board in a spirit of cooperation and mutual respect.

Your Board remains dedicated to resolving as many issues in our jurisdiction within the Town without recourse to the court system; but we will exercise every option to protect the integrity of the Board and the Town.

I would like to thank fellow members Steve Catalano, Kevin Dolan, Frank Federico and Tom O'Grady for their commitment and long term dedication. We also extend our gratitude to outgoing member Mark Shamon for his loyal service to the Board. Our work has advanced rapidly and professionally due to the efforts of Phyllis Medeiros, who became our secretary when Paulette Gerry transferred to the Town Clerk's Office. These dedicated and capable staff members allow the Board to function as efficiently as possible

In closing, we would like to thank all of our colleagues in the various other boards, commissions and departments for their assistance and support in 2006.

August S. Niewenhous
Chairman

2006
ANNUAL REPORT
BY
HERBERT W. MOORE, CHIEF OF POLICE

The year 2006 brought many changes to the Stoneham Police Department, especially in the area of personnel. In July, I was appointed Chief of Police after the retirement of Chief Gregory O'Keefe. Chief O'Keefe rose through the ranks of the Stoneham Police Department and proudly served the Town as Chief for five years. I wish to acknowledge the professional contribution of Chief O'Keefe, not only during his 32 year career, but during the transition after his retirement.

Upon my appointment as Chief of Police, I took command of the Police Department during what has become one of the most difficult financial periods. During those six months, the members of the department provided me with an unprecedented amount of cooperation, for which I am grateful.

In September, the department hired three new officers: Steve Launie, Patrick Garvey and Patrick Carroll. These three officers are attending the MBTA Transit Police Academy in Quincy and are expected to graduate in February 2007.

As 2006 came to a close, I began working on the Department's 2008 fiscal budget. I was asked to reduce my budget by $300,000, which had a significant impact upon the operation of the police department. As a result, a diminished supervisory and command staff took on significant additional responsibilities while detectives, DARE and Safety officers assignments were routinely taken away from the normal assignments.

Over the past year, several officers received recognition for performance above normal call of duty. In July, Sergeants David Stefanelli and Tony Kranefuss, and Officer David Thistle responded to a report of drowning in the MWRA's High Service Reservoir. These officers entered the water in an attempt to rescue the victim, however their efforts were unsuccessful. In October, Officer Thomas Heller as well as the other member of the Northeast Law Enforcement Council's SWAT Team were the recipients of the George Hanna Meritorious Service Award for their actions during a standoff with an armed individual in Pepperell. The members of the Stoneham Police Department are proud of the actions of these officers.

The Stoneham Police Department looks forward to serving the residents of Stoneham in the future.

2006 – DETECTIVE BUREAU
Lt. Richard McCarthy
Detective OIC

The Detective Bureau is responsible for criminal investigations, narcotic investigations, juvenile investigations and prosecution. The Detective Bureau is under the command of Lieutenant Richard McCarthy.

In 2006, the Bureau included Inspector George Alger, Inspector Edwin Peek, Inspector Joseph Denehy, Inspector Robert McKinnon and Inspector Paul Norton. The year ended within the detective bureau with a sad goodbye to Inspector/prosecutor Daniel Bates who retired and a warm welcome aboard to Officer Thomas Marshall.

CRIME STATISTICS: In keeping with our tradition of publishing statistics from our records, in addition to those reported by the Prosecution Division, 2006 reported incidents indicate:

Arrests	198
Criminal summonses	69
Homicide	0
Sex crimes	7
Assaults	59
Robberies	8
Missing persons	47
Uttering	14
Vandalism	250
Larceny including shoplifting	334
Threats/harassment	133
Breaking and Entering/all types including attempts	178
Domestic violence/restraining order violations	176
Service and attempted service of restraining orders	192
Firearm calls	7
Summons/warrant service	126
Animal calls	109
Disturbance calls	836
Wire down/water break	136
Road hazard	128
Building/person checks	1082
Medical aid	1668
Motor vehicles - stolen	41
Motor vehicles – recovered	21
Motor vehicle accidents	614
Motor vehicle (all other calls)	749
Fire alarms	342
Alarms (all others)	965

SEXUAL OFFENDERS living/working in Stoneham:
(Sex Offender info available on line at www.mass.gov/sorb)

1 Level Three offender: risk of recidivism is high and offender information actively disseminated to public.
11 Level Two offenders: risk of recidivism is moderate and offender information available upon request.
14 Level One offenders: risk of recidivism is low and no offender information available.

DEATHS: All sudden deaths were reported to the Medical Examiner and determined to be noncriminal at this time.

NARCOTICS: Investigation of narcotics incidents continues to be an ongoing priority. Joint effort and assistance came from surrounding communities, the Middlesex District Attorneys State Police Task Force, The Attorney Generals State Police Task Force and the United States Drug Enforcement Agency.

2006 PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCH
BY
DAVID B. LUCIANO, HEAD DISPATCHER

The Public Safety Dispatch Department provides 24-hour civilian dispatching for the Police Department, Fire Department and contract ambulance. The department is comprised of six full-time Dispatchers, 2 part-time Dispatchers and operates from the Police Station.

During the course of the past year over 11,300 calls that required personnel from the Police Department, Fire Department or ambulance to respond were processed through the dispatch center.

Of the 11,300 calls approximately 2,000 were received through the enhanced 9-1-1 system. These calls for service do not include the numerous business or public information calls that come into the center or walk in reports to the Police Station that must also be processed by the dispatch staff.

2006 - D.A.R.E. PROGRAM
OFFICER TOM CULLEN

Despite it's reduction, the D.A.R.E. program continues it's popularity with students, parents, law enforcement and educators. I continue to receive only positive feedback from the community.

Chief Moore believes in D.A.R.E.'s message to our children.. It was our strong belief that Middle School age children were the children that we wanted to impact the most. These children have been proven to be the most at-risk age group for drug abuse. Unfortunately, our budget in the 2006/07 school year cannot fund the elementary school curriculums.

The D.A.R.E. classroom is unique. This is the class where the subject is the student. They learn about themselves. They talk about themselves. They set goals for themselves and graduate empowered. The core strength of the Stoneham D.A.R.E. program is continuous reaffirmation of the child's self esteem and individual awareness which leads to strengthening their personal life choices.

The 2006 Al Duff Memorial Race was a success. We are looking forward to the annual 2007 race to be held on Town Day in September. We , again, invite as many runners and people to participate this year as it is our major fund raiser for the year. This race was established by the family of former Safety Officer Al Duff because of his love for the children of Stoneham. The D.A.R.E. program continues Al's work and, it is our goal to give the children as much information about the destructive effects of drugs and violence as we can; and, hopefully, with this information they will make educated and good decisions which will impact their lives.

2006 ANNUAL REPORT
STONEHAM AUXILIARY POLICE
LT. JAMES McINTYRE

The Stoneham Auxiliary Police Department is a volunteer organization that augments the Stoneham Police Department. Some of the primary responsibilities of the Auxiliary Police is to provide additional patrols of Town owned property, assist with traffic at community events, such as Town Day, Winter Wonderland at Whip Hill, road races, and provide assistance during a Town emergency. When on duty, Auxiliary Police Officers possess the same police powers as full time police officer. Prior to working as an Auxiliary Officer, the candidate is required to attend the Basic Reserve Police Officer Academy sponsored by the Municipal Police Training Committee, as well as annual first aid/CRP and firearms qualification sponsored by the Stoneham Police.

Currently, the 2006 Auxiliary Police is comprised of the following active members:

Gerald Sullivan - Commissioner
August Niewenhous – Chief
David Luciano – Lieutenant
George Lessard – Sergeant
Daniel Marsden – Sergeant
Geoffrey Buchanan – Patrolman
Maurice DiCicco – Patrolman
Donald Doucette – Patrolman
David Delling, Patrolman
Douglas Eames – Patrolman
Michael Eastman- Patrolman
Eugenio Ianniciello - Patrolman
John Lazzaro - Patrolman
John Maguire - Patrolman
James Murphy - Patrolman
Christopher Ponzo - Patrolman
Juan Yepez – Patrolman
Kenneth Bowdidge, Recruit

In the year 2006, these individuals donated in excess of 300 hours to the Town of Stoneham.

2006 SAFETY OFFICER REPORT
by
OFFICER LAURENCE J. ROTONDI

This year especially showed the spirit and resolve of our reduced force of Traffic Directors. I tip my hat to these fine men and women who provide the daily safety barrier for our children. As a point of information, there is a difference between a Traffic Director and a Crossing Guard. A Crossing Guard's only duty and power is to halt traffic and cross pedestrians. A Traffic Director has expanded powers including directing traffic, parking enforcement, and issuing moving citations along with crossing pedestrians. Stoneham has Traffic Directors assigned to 15 posts throughout the Town.

During 2006 I conducted the annual safety inspection of all taxis, limousines and livery vehicles registered in the Town of Stoneham. During this period, I also examined the licenses and issued permits to the drivers of these vehicles-for-hire, thus insuring the safety of our riding public.

I work closely with the Building Department, Fire Department, D. P. W. and Selectmen's office on site plans. Basically, I review the plans and visit the areas to determine any public safety hazards, which may arise as a result of the new construction, especially traffic patterns spilling onto our public roadways. Our most often requested service is to monitor speeders wherein I place our speed monitor at strategic points on roadways. Most motorists are aware of the speed monitor with it's flashing lights and it does work to make them aware of their speed.

If you have any questions regarding safety, do not hesitate to contact me. I am available for you and...Remember – Think Safety.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARIAN

This is the 147th report of the Stoneham Public Library covering the calendar year 2006.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

For the first time in several years the staff of the Stoneham Public Library remained the same for the full year. However, two key staff members will be leaving at the beginning of 2007. Theresa Maturevich will be leaving in January to take a Reference position in Beverly and Mary Lou Bracciotti will be retiring in January. Both will be sorely missed.

BUDGET ISSUES

The same issues existed in 2006 as in each of the last few years. The budget continues to be an issue for the Town of Stoneham and, by extension, for the library. The Town again wisely provided enough funding to maintain the library's mandated state certification and insure the State Aid award of monies in excess of $24,000. This is money that is desperately needed by the library to supplement an ever shrinking materials budget.

Unfortunately, the library and the town are faced with the same budget problems in the coming year. Again the town is facing a fiscal crisis, and again the library is in danger of losing its State Certification and $25,000+ in State Aid.

MATERIALS COLLECTIONS

Due to budget constraints, the library's materials budget was cut from a high of $106,000 in FY03 to $51,295 in FY06. Between FY03 and FY06 the library lost over $114,700 from its materials budget and the outlook deteriorates every year. Without State Aid the library's collection would be a disaster.

Again this year, our citizens made use of the Interlibrary Loan service the library provides. By remaining certified, the library is able to supplement its collection by borrowing from our neighbors. Requests were up by more than 18% over 2005 with a total of 9,903 items borrowed from other libraries. That is an increase of more than 40% over the last two years alone. This valuable service will continue as long as we are certified.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Sunday openings are still lost due to budget constraints. All other hours remained the same. The future remains very much in jeopardy.

NEW SERVICES:

Several new services were provided by the Stoneham Public Library during 2006.

WIRELESS CONNECTIVITY

Thanks to a very generous bequest from Richard C. Lord, the library was able to provide wireless access to our patrons. This service allows individuals to bring a laptop to the library and access the internet via the library's network. The patron need only bring a laptop equipped with a wireless card.

PC RESERVATIONS

Due to the popularity of the internet, it was becoming increasingly difficult to make access to our computers available to everyone in a fair and equal fashion. Thanks to the addition of our PC Reservation software, patrons can now reserve a computer for a particular day and time. This allows our patrons to be assured of access to a computer when they visit the library. In the near future this service will be available online so computers can be reserved via the internet from a location outside the library.

SUPERSEARCH

Our membership in NOBLE has allowed us to provide a new and important service to our patrons. Most research these days is done via the internet using various magazine and newspaper databases. This can be time consuming because each database must be searched separately. As members of NOBLE, Stoneham's patrons have access to a program called Supersearch which searches these databases simultaneously. It's a fantastic time saver and wonderful tool for students and is absolutely free.

NEW WEBSITE

In 2006 the library launched its new and improved website. Thanks to the efforts of Children's Librarian, Theresa Maturevich, the library's website sported an entirely new and modern look. We encourage patrons to visit us at www.stonehamlibrary.org.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

The Junior Library continues to offer excellent programs for children of all ages. In 2006 pre-School Story Hour programs attendance increased by over 50% to 5295 attendees, 421 children participated in the Summer Reading Program, and 9,780 attended other programs offered by the Junior Library, an increase of 15%. It was a very busy and successful year.

ADULT PROGRAMMING

New programs continue to be added to the library's schedule. Our eclectic schedule of programs ran the gamut from decorating your house to sell to organizing your home and your life. Jay Atkinson, author of Legends of Winter

Hill spoke to a packed house and the library prepared for the next "Stoneham Reads" program to be held in early 2007.

Our Friends of the Library group has been particularly generous this year. Their efforts have supplied us with a new sign at the building entrance, a new digital projector, new public address system, and a license to exhibit the latest movies to our patrons. We thank them for their efforts and donations.

The adult reading group is still thriving with new members added each month. Thank you to Maureen Saltzman for her continued efforts.

THANK YOU

As always, I and the Library Board of Trustees would like to thank the staff of the Stoneham Public Library for their continued hard work during challenging times. Staff members have displayed a level of professionalism and care for our patrons. It cannot be said enough, the Stoneham Public Library continues to be open more hours with a smaller and more underpaid staff than any library in our area.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary P. Todd
Library Director

School Committee

The 2005/2006 school year continued to be a very challenging year for the Stoneham public schools. Fiscal constraints of the Town continued to require the School Committee to make difficult decisions about school personnel and school program reductions.

In October of 2005, the School Committee reviewed its 2004-2005 Strategic Plan and concluded that objectives in the areas of curriculum, technology, finance, facilities and personnel had either been accomplished or only partially accomplished because of inadequate funding. Due to the fact that the 2004/2005 school year was the final year of the current Five Year Strategic Plan, the School Committee initiated plans to form a broad-based Strategic Planning Committee to assist with the development of an updated long-range plan. A call for volunteers was issued and from those who responded, a committee was appointed in November of 2005. Members of the School Committee, principals, system-wide administrators, teachers and parents were all represented on the committee. Charged with the development of a new Five-Year Strategic Plan covering 2006-2010, the committee worked from December to February to prepare a draft document for School Committee consideration.

The new School Committee Five-Year Strategic Plan, adopted on February 16, 2006, provides the Committee with valuable direction as budget and program decisions are made and as school improvement plans are formed. An overview of the 2006-2010 Five-Year Strategic Plan includes the following:

Mission Statement

The mission of the Stoneham Public Schools is to develop students who

- Are creative, critical, and independent thinkers
- Have respect and tolerance for self and others
- Know and apply communication and computation skills
- Are healthy and responsible contributors to society

District Goal 1: Curriculum

To insure delivery of the most current research-based curriculum utilizing:

- adequate, appropriate texts and materials
- effective, high impact professional development
- accountability through administrative support, monitoring, and evaluation

District Goal 2: Technology

To continue the utilization of technology as a communications and teaching tool that integrates with curriculum in a manner that:

- promotes more effective learning
- reflects how information and resources are accessed, analyzed, and communicated in the real world
- promotes critical thinking skills

District Goal 3: Finance

To implement a budget development and management process that promotes accountability and community support for the Stoneham Public Schools' identified financial needs.

District Goal 4: Facilities

To provide physical plant facilities that maximizes the range of learning opportunities through the provision and maintenance of adequate space and equipment.

District Goal 5: Personnel

To develop a five-year plan for the inclusion of additional instructional and support staff to meet enrollment-driven and school committee approved program enhancement needs.

In January 2006, the School Committee, once again, honored the Stoneham High School Boys Soccer Team and their parents and coaches for winning the Massachusetts Division II State Soccer championship. Each player and coach was presented with a team picture plaque.

From February through May 2006, much of the School Committee's time and attention was spent finalizing the FY2007 school budget, to be voted on at the annual Town Meeting in May 2006. Early in the process the School Committee diligently worked to identify a "maintenance level budget" for school year 2006-2007. However, the Town's projected revenue required the school budget to be reduced over $500,000 from what the School Committee had identified as a basic maintenance level budget.

Throughout this difficult process, several drastic budget cuts were discussed – including eliminating high school athletics and closing a portion of the Middle School. Fortunately, the School Committee was able to avert these severe budget reduction measures when the Town's projected Health Insurance costs came in $300,000 less than predicted and the Board of Selectmen voted to continue the town-wide trash fee for another year.

During this same period the School Committee was engaged in seeking alternative sources of revenue. Examples of these efforts include; expansion of the very successful After School Child Care Program to a Summer Child Care Program, soliciting a new tenant for the old Central School and examining a possible reorganization of the Central Office. There was not sufficient parental interest in a Summer School-Age Child Care Program to pursue this as a revenue enhancement. The leasing of the old Central School was more successful. In February 2006 a lease was executed with the SEEM Collaborative for five years. After a thorough study by a sub-committee of the School Committee, it was determined that the Central Office of the Stoneham Public Schools could not be reduced.

At the February 2, 2006 School Committee meeting, when the SEEM lease for the old Central School was signed, the School Committee highlighted how

successful the Town had been in generating much needed revenue from the offline East, North and old Central Schools. Since 1999 through the 2006 school year, the Town of Stoneham had received $1,670,000 in rental income from the lease of these schools. Over the next five years (2006-2011), the Town would receive from the SEEM Collaborative an additional $2,381,408 in rental revenue. The total revenue to be received by the Town will total over $4,000,000 during this twelve year period. The School Committee emphasized that the lease they executed with SEEM calls for SEEM to cover all the day-to-day operational costs for these three schools. As a result, the Town of Stoneham can use this rental revenue to directly reduce the Town's operating budget. The revenue from these three school rentals cover almost all the maintenance and operation costs of running Stoneham's current six schools.

The 2006 town election saw Miriam Regan-Fiore elected to a three-year term, replacing veteran School Committee member Mark Grimaldi, who had not sought reelection.

During the late spring, Joseph Casey, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, accepted a new position as Superintendent of the Melrose Public Schools. This announcement required the School Committee to appoint a search committee for the Assistant Superintendent position. Following a two month search process the School Committee, on June 22, 2006, accepted Dr. Connelly's recommendation to appoint Anne H. Patriquin to become Assistant Superintendent. Mrs. Patriquin has been an educator for thirty-four years, most recently as the Director of Curriculum and Instruction for the Georgetown Public Schools.

On June 12, 2006 the Stoneham School Committee's Crystal Apple Awards were presented to the following:

Crystal Apple Awards - 2006	
Joseph Casey	Assistant Superintendent – Resigned to accept Superintendent position in Melrose Public Schools
Anne Crosby	Founder/Organizer "Celebrating the Future" All Night Graduation Party
Carol Vacca	Founder/Organizer "Celebrating the Future" All Night Graduation Party
Elizabeth Trakimas	Special Education Parent Advisory Council, Booster Club
Robert Sweeney	Board of Selectmen/Community Leader

In August, the School Committee honored the Stoneham High School Girls Outdoor Track Team and their parents and coaches for winning the Middlesex League Girls Outdoor Track championship. Each player and coach was presented with a team picture plaque.

During the months of August and September 2006, the School Committee developed warrant articles to be sponsored by the School Committee and presented at the Fall Town Meeting. Two articles were eventually submitted. Article 14 on the Fall Town Meeting warrant article requested capital funds totaling $250,000 to be bonded to allow the repair and upgrade of the interior of the Middle School and High School. This repair work included the replacement of the main electrical board at the High School and the replacement of auditorium seats at the Middle School. To accomplish this much needed interior maintenance, the School Committee enacted a one-year moratorium on the ten year roof replacement program for the High School and Middle School.

Article 15 requested $44,000 in funding to restore two of the five custodial positions cut from the school budget in FY2007. This article also provided funds to hire a part-time technology aide at the Middle School which allowed the Middle School computer lab to be reopened after being closed for two years.

Throughout the 2005/2006 school year, the School Committee engaged in collective bargaining activities with the seven bargaining groups within the school department. Due to a lack of available funds in the FY2007 town-wide budget to

address cost of living raises for town employees, renewal of expired contracts as of August 2006 had not been accomplished.

In December, the School Committee heard testimony to name court one of the High School tennis courts after long-time town resident, local tennis enthusiast, and World War II decorated soldier Leo Herlihy. The School Committee also heard testimony for naming the Stoneham High School track facility after now retired teachers and coaches Alain Rocher and Wayne Fillback. Alain Rocher and Wayne Fillback served Stoneham's student athletes as dedicated teachers and coaches and mentors for over thirty years. The School Committee unanimously approved these deserving tributes.

At the end of the 2005/2006 school year, Dr. Joseph Connelly, Superintendent of Schools in Stoneham since 1998, notified the School Committee of his intention to retire in January 2007, after forty years of service as an educator in Massachusetts. The School Committee accepted Dr. Connelly's intent to retire with regret and thanked him for nine years of dedicated service to Stoneham Public Schools and its students. The School Committee requested Dr. Connelly remain on as a consultant and acting Superintendent of Schools until a replacement could be hired on or about July 1, 2007.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Each year five high school students are selected by their peers to represent the views of students at all School Committee meetings. These student representatives receive all non-confidential materials and are encouraged to state their opinions on public agenda items and reports. Although the students do not vote, their views are carefully considered by the town-elected Committee members. The resulting discussions enable the members of the Committee to understand the issues at hand from a student's perspective. In 2005-2006 that perspective included views on courses at the high school, the budget process, NEASC accreditation, and the MCAS Testing Program, as well as all sports and extracurricular activities. Representing the student body during 2006-2007 are

Colin O'Brien, Shyam Subramanian, Adam Rocca, Nick Ciarlante, Nicole Willard and Amanda Muir. We wish to also acknowledge the contributions of Kelly Brown, Betsy Higer, Shyam Subramanian, Jennifer Grossi and Marcelline Previlon, who served during the 2005-2006 school year.

Superintendent of Schools

In many ways the school year 2005/2006 was a challenging one for the Stoneham Public Schools. However, through the efforts of our dedicated teaching and support staff, the Stoneham Public Schools continued to provide a positive learning environment for the children of Stoneham. Again this year, the school department struggled to cope with the impact of lost funding for personnel and instructional materials. Citizen groups and local businesses have continued to donate time and money to the school system. Some of the local businesses and organizations which volunteer in our schools and provide funds are: StonehamBank, Stoneham Savings Bank, Stoneham Ford, Shaws, Stop and Shop, and the Stoneham Rotary Club. Elementary homework clubs, Middle School after school activities, and extracurricular clubs at the High School have all been funded through private donations.

Beginning in October, 2005 budget holders developed the Draft 1 budget for FY2007. In October the Enrollment Projection Study was presented to the School Committee. Using a modified Cohort Survival Technique that assumes past enrollment trends can be used to predict future enrollment patterns, it was determined that the Stoneham Public Schools would show a modest decline of thirty-five students. This enrollment data, along with identified major capital needs and inventoried supplies, forms the basis for school budget requests.

In November principals and department heads finalized staff and non-salary needs for FY2007. In December, several budget meeting were held with budget holders and the Central Office administration before a final draft of the budget was finalized. The Draft 1 budget reflected a "maintenance level" of funding totaled $23,389,418 which represented a $1,544,418 or 7.1% increase over the fiscal FY2006 budget. This increase was driven, in large part, by a projected

20% increase in health insurance costs - which originally required an FY2007 budget increase of over $600,000. Also affecting the proposed FY2007 School Budget was increased mandated Special Education costs, also totaling close to $600,000.

On January 5, 2006 the Draft 1 of the FY2007 School Budget was presented to the School Committee. Complicating the budget process for FY2007 was a projected budget deficit for FY2006 which the School Committee and Central Administration addressed by implementing a spending freeze across the district. Throughout the winter and spring of 2006, the school department dealt with both budgets.

In early February, the Town Administrator presented his proposed balanced FY2007 budget, which only increased the school budget by $409,000 over fiscal year 2006. This forced the School Committee to identify budget reduction measures totaling over 1.1 million dollars.

Throughout the rest of the winter and early spring, the school department spent many hours and considerable energy identifying potential areas to cut in the budget. Closing the Middle School and eliminating all athletics were considered. Closing the Middle School would have also resulted in redistricting the four elementary school districts to allow the elementary schools to absorb the Middle School population; and eliminating athletics at the High School would have impacted the ten year accreditation process scheduled for November 2007.

Eventually, effective negotiations with the town's Health Insurance carrier reduced the FY2007 rate increase from a projected 20 percent to 9.7 percent – reducing the proposed FY2007 School Budget by $300,017. Other reductions, including the elimination of five custodial positions, reduced the budget gap to $600,000 which would have required the closure of the rear wing of the Middle School (16 classrooms) and the transfer of Grade 6 to the elementary schools. This action would have also required the redistricting of the four elementary schools to accommodate the additional 220 Grade 6 students. All of this was

avoided when the Board of Selectmen approved the continuation of a trash fee. As a result, the school budget received an additional $600,000 appropriation.

Grants continued to support our educational programs. During 2005-2006 the following initiatives were undertaken with the support of grant funding:

- Central School and South School staff participated in training to implement the *Open Circle* Program developed at the Stone Center at Wellesley College. This program addresses the development of social skills and emotional growth of school age children. The *Open Circle* curriculum fosters relationships that support safe, caring and respectful learning communities and builds those skills deemed necessary to ward off anti-social behaviors, such as bullying.
- Professional development was offered to both regular education and special education staff at the Middle School in teaching mathematics. Emphasizing higher level thinking skills in both algebra and geometry, this course was aimed at assisting teachers at reaching children at all levels of ability and development.
- Sheltered English Immersion training was offered across the district in collaboration with the SEEM collaborative and the Melrose Public Schools. These workshops were designed to provide staff with the knowledge and skills to help our English Language Learners in the classroom and to meet state mandates for training for all teachers.
- High School teachers, especially newer staff members, took a course entitled "Planning and Pacing for the Long Block." This course allowed high school teachers to develop a repertoire of strategies for teaching in a ninety-minute block.

During the late spring and again in early fall, much time was spent conducting searches for Assistant Superintendent and Administrator of School Finance. Joseph Casey resigned as Assistant Superintendent to accept the position of Superintendent of the Melrose Public Schools in May. After a two-month search process that produced over twenty applicants for the position, the School

Committee approved Dr. Connelly's recommendation to appoint Anne Patriquin as Assistant Superintendent in June. Ms. Patriquin began work in August and assisted the administrative team as school began for this year. In September, Greg Zammuto also resigned as Administrator of School Finance to accept the same position for the Melrose Public Schools. Again, after a two-month search process the School Committee appointed Anthony DiCologero as Administrator of School Finance. Mr. DiCologero began his employment in early December, just in time to participate in the budget development process for FY2008.

In June 2006, the School Committee was alerted to a substantial deficit in the School Lunch program. During the 2005/2006 school year, the cost of a student lunch had been increased from $2.00 to $2.75. This was the first increase in several years and was necessitated due to increased health insurance costs. This lunch price increase had resulted in reduced student participation in the school lunch program. As a result, a deficit was expected – but not as large as the $130,000 that occurred. The School Department was able to absorb this deficit by utilizing unexpended heating cost funds due to the extremely mild winter and utilizing year end balances from several revolving accounts, such as the After School Child Care and the Full Day Kindergarten Program. During the summer, a six-point plan was developed to avoid a School Lunch Program deficit happening in FY2007. This plan included reducing kitchen worker daily work hours, eliminating several health insurance memberships, and designing a school lunch menu that would meet state nutritional requirements and still appeal to the students. A monthly financial reporting format was also developed to keep the School Committee fully informed of the financial status of the School Lunch Program.

Much time in the summer was spent in filling over twenty-five teacher positions lost to resignations and retirements. When school opened all but two of the positions were filled. Those two positions were filled shortly after school began, but Stoneham continues to loose teaching staff to other districts.

Beginning in September, three warrant articles were developed for the Fall Town Meeting. These articles were:

- Article 13 – a request to cost share the Administrator of School Facilities between the Town and the School Department and to hire a clerk in the school business office as support for the Facilities Administrator.
- Article 14 – a request for $250,000 for capital repairs to the Middle School and High School. At the Middle School the auditorium seat would be replaced, the lighting in the auditorium would be upgraded and fifty year old lockers would be replaced. At the High School the major repairs would be to replace the front doors, replace the main electrical panel, and replace the clock system.
- Article 15 – a request to rehire two custodians for nighttime coverage at all elementary schools and to hire a technology aide at the Middle School for nineteen hours per week to allow the Middle School lab to be reopened to support classrooms.

All three articles were passed by Town Meeting on October 23, 2006.

On October 19, 2006 the School Committee hosted a presentation which saw Jonathan Berkman, a senior at Stoneham High School, receive the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents (MASS) Certification of Academic Excellence Award. This award is presented each year by the Superintendent of Schools to the senior student who possesses the highest grade point average at the end of his/her junior year.

From November 5 through November 8, 2006 Stoneham High School hosted a visiting team from the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC). This fifteen member team of educators from all over New England spent four days evaluating the High School for continued accreditation. Using ten standards developed by NEASC and its member districts, the team met with members of the community, parents, teaches, students and administrators to determine Stoneham's adherence to the standards. The report of the visiting team should be made public during the spring of 2007.

Retirees

A number of staff members retired during the 2005-2006 school year. Early in the school year, Mr. Bill Hunt, system-wide courier, retired.

At the High School Mr. Albert Lanni, math teacher, retired after 33 years.

At the elementary level, the following staff retired: Mr. Ronald Peterson, South School teacher retired after 32 years; Mrs. Karen Stahle, preschool teacher retired after 35 years; Barbara Talanian, Colonial Park teacher retired after 35 years; Colonial Park paraprofessional Anne Rutkowski retired after 21 years; and elementary school nurse Estelle McDonough retired after 19 years.

We are extremely grateful for their many years of dedicated service and wish them all the best in the years ahead.

Central Office

Support Services

The office of Business Management is responsible for most of the support services for the educational program and is also entrusted with managing the school budget finances and all of the property of the school district. The major support services include food service, maintenance and custodial services, transportation and data processing.

Cafeteria Services

This department is responsible for providing breakfast at the High School for approximately 250 students and staff, and lunch throughout the system for

approximately 1,300 students and staff every day. A full-service cafeteria is operated at the High School, and partial-service cafeterias (some cooking) are utilized at the Middle School, Central School, South School Robin Hood School, and Colonial Park School.

Cafeteria Services is operated as a revolving fund entity. Revenues generated by sales to students and staff are expected to cover all expenses, including equipment replacement. Historically, this program has operated fully from its own revenue.

However, the 2005-2006 School Year food service operations resulted in a deficit of approximately $130,000. This was due to food cost overruns and the transferring of health insurance costs for cafeteria personnel from appropriation accounts to the food service revolving account. The 2005-2006 School Year cost for a Type A lunch was increased from $2.00 to $2.75.

Additional financial spreadsheets have been developed and utilized to facilitate the tracking of monthly food service revenues and expenditures. The school department is also examining the possibility of outsourcing food service operations.

TRANSPORTATION

The regular daily transportation program has been eliminated effective at the end of the 2004-2005 School Year. However, costs for Special Education transportation have been increasing and continue to be a budgetary concern.

SYSTEMWIDE DATA PROCESSING

The Data Processing Coordinator manages student data reporting to the Massachusetts D.O.E., maintains the database using Oracle tools and SQL, maintains user accounts and client software, is responsible for backing up the database, trains and supports the database users and creates customized queries and reports using SQL and Microsoft Access software.

The Data Processing Coordinator is responsible for maintaining a database used to store and report data pertaining to the scheduling of classes, grade reporting, transcripts and academic history, attendance, discipline and demographics.

Facilities and Special Services

Facilities and Special Services focus all efforts on maintaining a safe environment for all students, staff and visitors. The goal of Special Services is to address any concerns as soon as they arise so that they do not escalate into problems.

Some completed projects of Special Services are: Set-up a new online work order system to track cost and completion of work orders, a computerized preventive maintenance system to schedule maintenance of equipment to keep it operating efficiently. Continue phase 3 of a 5 phase roofing program by re-roofing bad sections of the High School roof, Repair of High School bleacher decking, as well as on going day-to-day repairs and maintenance.

Goals for the current year include: Replace Master Clock at the High School for bells and repair classroom clocks. Replacement of the High School main electric switchgear, Replace Front Entrance doors of High School. Refurbish Middle School Auditorium (paint, lighting and seats), Establish policies and procedures to track school building energy usage on a daily basis, Building a database to program the computerized preventive maintenance system, Investigate savings on utility costs by using Co-Generation for the High School Electrical and Heating needs, as a added benefit this will make the Town more environmentally friendly.

Find more efficient ways to clean our Schools with reduced staff.

Two of the three Building Custodians that were laid off due to budget cuts were rehired. Despite staffing shortages, Special Services Department has continued to work extremely hard to maintain all buildings and grounds.

Special Services will continue to effectively maintain all school building and grounds and provide a safe environment for students, staff and visitors. Our mission last year as it will be again this year; “To provide and maintain a healthy, safe and secure environment that is conducive to teaching and learning”

CENTRAL SCHOOL

At Central School the total enrollment on October 1, 2006 was 375 students in kindergarten through grade five. We welcome the following faculty and staff to the school community for the 2006-2007 school year: J. DiCologero (music), K. McCune-Barca (ELL tutor), C. Gallagher and S. Koester (special education), C. Rossi (school psychologist) as well as J. Bernardi, A. DeAngelo, L. Egitto, and P. Sutherby as paraprofessionals.

Central School has three classes per grade level, eighteen sections in all. There are three special education classroom models in place to meet student learning needs. Stoneham students are provided with special educational services in grades three, four, and five with full inclusion programs in which a certified special education teacher is paired with a regular education classroom teacher. Another special education program, known as the integrated classroom model (partial inclusion), services students with a special education Individualized Education Plans (IEPs) who are included for instruction with regular education students whenever appropriate during the school day. The remaining classrooms are regular education settings with special education support from a resource teacher. Last year, supplemental Title 1 services were provided for students in grades K – 2 in reading, until the service was reduced again in September 2006 by 37.5%. As a result of the reduction, fewer students in grades 1 and 2 receive this support. Students whose native language is not English receive support services from an English Language Learner (ELL) tutor. The regular education and special education professionals, paraprofessionals, cafeteria, caregivers in the After School Program, custodians, the full time school nurse, and the school office personnel at Central School strive to provide the coordinated services necessary for every child to be successful in the school environment.

Central School's vision for the school year is guided by the goals stated in our School Improvement Plan for 2006 – 2007. Our grade 2 students' standardized reading test scores and our grades three, four and five MCAS results, reveal that Central School students reach the academic benchmarks determined by the Massachusetts Department of Education. DIBELS assessments are provided for

primary aged students three times per year to help inform instruction in beginning reading skills. Test scores are analyzed on both an individual and collective basis in order to help improve instruction.

Two new programs help improve communication within the school community. Private funding allows the school system to use ConnectEd, an automated messaging system for safety calls, emergency notification, and announcements. The school system is also updating its web pages, with the dual goals of increasing the amount of information available on-line and decreasing the reliance on paper notices.

Staff members receive hours of training in areas relating to the safety and well-being of the students in their care. This training includes emergency preparedness, review of safety procedures, and mandated Nonviolent Crisis Intervention training. Additionally, time is devoted to the discussion of curriculum and the analysis of MCAS test scores. Teachers and paraprofessionals keep their certification and proficiency current through participation in additional graduate level coursework, workshops, and seminars.

Our foremost priority at Central School continues to be the safety and well-being of our students, families, and staff. We are diligent in making sure that visitors sign in and out at the office and that they wear visitor badges while in the school. According to law, CORI checks are routinely performed on all employees and volunteers. More caution signs and safety cones line the driveway. Nevertheless, safety, traffic, and parking concerns persist. Some drivers speed through and others pass the school buses and vans that have their warning lights flashing. Vandalism is another on-going concern.

Central School is helped by the Safe Routes to School program sponsored by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Transportation's MassRIDES. It is an effort to increase the number of students who walk, ride bicycles or carpool to school. There are health and safety benefits to this program that helps reduce the number of vehicles transporting students to and from school while promoting walking as a fitness program.

Central School's amazing PTO supports the school in a variety of ways through their volunteers and fundraising efforts. The PTO provides whole-school assembly programs, field trips, and a special afternoon or evening event for each grade level. Halloween is celebrated by the entire school community at Central School and an opportunity for gift shopping was offered to students at the Snowflake Fair. Once spring arrives, an ice cream social provides parents, teacher, and students with an opportunity to enjoy the positive school environment. Parents contribute their time, effort, and creativity in our library, computer lab, and lunchroom and in every classroom. Central School is extremely fortunate to have such a dedicated group of parents to help enrich the school experience for all students.

Central School and the StonehamBank have an established school and business partnership to benefit our students. StonehamBank funds the after school Homework Club that assists students in need of extra help with homework. The employees of StonehamBank volunteer their time to participate in a Read Aloud program. We appreciate the support provided by StonehamBank.

Central School has started to collaborate with the Stoneham Senior Center. In November, the ***Silver Notes***, a chorus under the direction of Linda Kirk, performed superbly as part of the annual Veterans' Day program. We look forward to developing additional ties to this wonderful community resource.

Central School is an exciting learning community comprised of dedicated faculty and staff, supportive parents, beneficial public partnerships, and hard-working students who make all of these efforts worthwhile. We are proud of our school and the work that is done here.

Colonial Park School

Approximately three hundred and thirty five students attended Colonial Park School during 2006. Fifteen classrooms serve students from pre-school through grade 5. The Library/Media Center, Computer Lab, Science Room, Cafeteria,

and the Gym provided expanded opportunities for learning as teachers used these spaces for special events and team projects. The stage area, which can be accessed from the gym or cafeteria, was the site for plays, enrichment activities, programs, book fairs, and also staff development projects and curriculum support meetings. After school, the facility houses a very well attended After School Program, as well as Girl Scout, Daisy, and Boy Scout programs. The gym is used weekly by sports leagues and cheering teams. Parents also meet after school to plan PTO projects, and assist with building activities. In 2006, Colonial Park School experienced some growing pains as the school population grew to maximum capacity. With the addition of a second full day kindergarten class and another fifth grade class, the school art and music rooms were converted to classrooms. Colonial Park continues to have two classrooms dedicated to the Preschool Program. Colonial Park School is an important resource for the neighborhood and the Town of Stoneham.

Students at all grade levels worked independently and together on two building initiatives during the 2006 school year. The Bullying Program, which started in 2005, was expanded and continued this year. Students identified appropriate and inappropriate behaviors for the school environment, and they wrote classroom and/or grade level rules which were implemented at the beginning of the year. Respect, co-operation, and teamwork were the subjects of classroom projects and also school enrichments. Colonial Park School participated in a Mix It Up At Lunch Day which was part of a Bully Prevention Plan. Books and videos on the subject were purchased and used for classroom discussion.

Colonial Park School continues to focus on Literacy at all grade levels. Students are encouraged to read, write, and share their ideas independently or as part of a group. School wide Read A Thons, partner reading between grade levels, visiting readers, writing contests and displays, and classroom writing workshops, in which parents assist students with writing and publishing work, are just a few of the activities that encourage students to develop communication skills.
Software programs such as *Kidpop* and *Enchanted Learning* help teachers and the computer technician develop valuable resources and activities for students at all levels. The PTO continued to fund an eight week artist in residence program

through *Kidstock*. This program helps students develop the skills of self expression expanding on literacy through the use of reading and creative writing using respect and conflict resolution as a central theme.
Each month students decorate the display cases in the lobby to showcase their skills.

At Colonial Park School, teachers, parents, and the community come together to educate students. In 2006, BJ's selected the school to participate in the Adopt A School Program. Through this collaboration, students created crafts for hospitalized children and BJ's provided beautifully decorated cakes for the Dr. Seuss celebration. Zoo New England reached out to the third grade classes to provide a Living Classroom experience. As they studied nature and Native American cultures, these students coordinated donations to Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. With the help of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, families participated in *Walk to School Week*. Italian classes for fourth and fifth grade students, sponsored by the Italian Consulate, studied Italy during the Olympics in Italy in 2006. For the second year, members of the school and neighbors were invited to participate in the Diabetes Walk which raised money for research. During the holidays, families donated gifts to a battered women's shelter, adopted a local family in need of support, and provided food for the local food pantry.

The Colonial Park School PTO supports and funds field trips and enrichment activities such as the following. Molly Sliney, an Olympian with a disability, spoke to students about setting and achieving goals. Historical Perspectives brought to life a character from the past. Joseph Venuti, a weatherman helped students understand climate.

The Outdoor Classroom Committee expanded recycling efforts at the school, and they presented an Earth Day Contest for student writers and artists. Families offered to weed areas of the school and helped to maintain the courtyard for classroom use.

The PTO sponsors family events such as Bingo Night, Pizza Night, Holiday Breakfast, and book fairs.

The entire Colonial Park Community is grateful for the support of families who share their time and expertise to help the school.

Colonial Park School provides a safe, supportive, learning environment where students are encouraged to strive for excellence. The school continues to meet Adequate Yearly Progress goals established by the Department of Education, and the administration and staff provide support and encouragement to help students do their best in all testing situations. This environment facilitates taking risks and provides opportunities for exploration as students learn and grow. Our school community is comprised of caring and dedicated educators and support staff who work with families to see that no child is left behind.

Robin Hood School

Robin Hood staff and parents worked all year to offer students optimum success and growth in their educational setting. Our school community is made up of a group of very dedicated and hard-working people.

Long time fourth grade teacher, Mrs. Driscoll resigned from the Stoneham Public Schools and school nurse Mrs. McDonough retired after many years. Mrs. Ann Marie Thistle was hired as our new nurse. New staff this year also included Mr. Siciliano and Mrs. Kaestner in the resource room and Mrs. Craig as a first grade teacher in our integrated program. Mrs. DiColgero, music teacher, and Mr. O'Connell, teaching assistant, returned to Robin Hood after a year away. We also welcomed Mrs. Chiappini, Mr. Rora, Ms. Talhouk, and Mrs. Young as teaching assistants in our special needs programs. They have all made significant

contributions to the Robin Hood School population and we warmly welcomed each of them.

Total enrollment is now 335 students. We continue to house three special education integrated programs at the primary level, a program for hearing impaired students, and sixteen K-5 classes. Average class size is 22 students In addition to the academic curriculum at each grade level, students participate in music or art, physical education, library, and computer lab. Students in grades 4-5 also receive Italian class bi-weekly, which is funded through a grant.

Parental involvement is strong at Robin Hood. Many parent volunteers assist in the building throughout the school day. Our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) has funded several field trips and has sponsored several enrichment programs at the school. These include studying fossils, electricity, insects, owls, mapping, writer in residence, and theatre. Our PTO also sponsored several student/family activity nights, including Back to School Picnic, Halloween Party, Munch With Santa, and a Bingo Night.

We sincerely appreciate the hard work of all our parents, their fundraising efforts, and their strong commitment to public education in Stoneham.

Our School Council has also worked tirelessly on behalf of our school. Monthly meetings were held to implement and develop our School improvement plan. An Information forum for parents was conducted on MCAS results and how to help your child succeed. The school council developed a comprehensive school

improvement plan which is currently being implemented. Our mission continues to develop students who:

*are creative, critical, and independent thinkers

*have respect and tolerance for self and others

*know and apply communication and computation skills

*are healthy and responsible contributors to society

Professional development continues to be an important issue to the staff at Robin Hood School. In addition to working towards their own recertification, staff have participated in numerous courses, workshops, and conferences throughout the year. Robin Hood teachers have worked diligently preparing our students for statewide assessments. The staff is to be commended for holding high standards for all students and helping each and every student achieve.

South School

Despite our town-wide budget crisis and serious cuts to our programs, South School continues to focus on key elements of educating youngsters in meaningful ways. Each element is an example of how Stoneham as a district and South in particular, works with our parents and community to meet the needs of our children and their families.

Our tuition based Full Day Kindergarten Program continues to be a success. This year we have 16 children enrolled for a full week schedule, with Music, Art, Library and P.E. The longer day has provided children with greater opportunities for more in depth activities and better coverage of the curriculum. Our After-School Childcare Program at South continues to do well. This program has provided kids a great place to finish their homework, play games, and do fun activities.

Our Stop & Shop Homework Help Program completed its third year. Our business partner, The Stop & Shop Supermarket Company, was able to fully fund our Homework Help Program this year with a very generous donation of $4320. This program, a major goal of our School Improvement Plan, serves to lengthen the school day for a number of our students, and give them help on their homework. More students are able to complete their homework and are doing better with their grades as well.

This year marked the school's entrance into the Open Circle Social Competency Curriculum in Fourth and Fifth Grade. This program, in conjunction with the Stone Center from Wellesley College, provides teachers and staff with training in how to implement the Open Circle curriculum in each classroom twice weekly throughout the school year. The program has been so successful that we are proceeding with plans to expand the program into Grades Two and Three next year.

Our Preschool Staff planned and provided district-wide workshops focusing on Speech and Language, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, and Classroom and Child Management Techniques. This was a teacher-driven process where staff are training staff around issues common to all. The workshops were very well received and plans are in place to continue to provide workshops next year as well.

Our PTO Mini Grants Program continues to attract attention. This program seeks to encourage teachers and staff to plan for events and activities that go "above and beyond" the normal school curriculum and school day. We also had our Author's Night in April. This year we continued to have our Third and Fifth Grade Math Nights that have been so popular. This year our Computer Tech Aide Christine Homsi was awarded a $1000 grant for South School from Best Buy.

Our PTO and School Site Council continue to be tremendously positive forces that contribute to the overall climate of South. We offered a full range of school

wide activities, such as Holiday Breakfast, Halloween Party, Back-to-School Picnic, and Bingo and Pasta Nights. Our Community Outreach effort expanded this year to include a tremendously successful Thanksgiving food drive and "Giving Tree", which provided local families with toys and clothing for their children. Our annual Anton Cleaners "Coats for Kids" program was wildly successful, as South School won first place in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, thus earning $1000 for our PTO; a visit from FOX25 meteorologist Kevin Lemanowicz; and an Ice Cream Sundae Party. South School also raised over $6000 through the NSTAR Lightbulb Fundraiser, earning a schoolwide party from Radio Disney. Our PTO consistently provides students with enrichment opportunities through in school visits and performances, as well as educationally sound field trips. The school also continued to offer a full Junior Achievement curriculum, in conjunction with our PTO.

Our whole-school Read-a-thon this year was set up to benefit the Jester and Pharley Fund. Working with South School alum Jared Katz, the children read 31,422 pages over a six week period and raised $1500 for child cancer patients at Children's Hospital, Boston. This year, South School also joined the MassRides' Safe Routes to School Program, where children are now encouraged to either walk or carpool to and from South School to earn credits towards prizes. This program has helped to reduce the number of vehicles on school grounds during arrival and dismissal times, thus increasing safety for all.

South School continues in its mission to educate its children in the most complete ways possible. Staff and parents consistently work together to reach our goals. We are fortunate to have so many of these special opportunities to enrich and support the academic and social lives of our children. We will look for ways to continue to do so.

Stoneham Middle School

Stoneham Middle School is made up of grades 6, 7 and 8. As of October 2006, the student population breaks down as follows: 217 students in grade six, 207 students in grade seven and 216 students in grade eight. There are 325 boys and 315 girls. The schedule at the middle school engages students in more than

900 hours of time-on-learning. Core academic offerings include: English Language Arts, math, science, and social studies. In addition, students participate in physical education, art, music, world languages (French, Spanish or Italian), reading/ study skills and math enrichment.

In the spring of 2006 students participated in MCAS testing in the areas of English Language Arts, math, science and technology. Successfully preparing students for MCAS is an on-going commitment throughout the academic year. This is realized through the combined efforts of administration, department supervisors, and faculty who ensure that the curriculum and lessons for their subject areas fully encompass the Massachusetts State Frameworks. Parents, too, play a vital role in student achievement.

In light of the unique needs of the middle level student, and in keeping with our mission to educate each student intellectually, socially, and emotionally, the middle school strives to create a structure of opportunities for learning that nourish the strengths of each student. Due to the budget cuts that forced the elimination of teams, as well as the elimination of many exploratory subjects previously offered, the middle school confronts these challenges with the assistance of its parents and the community to foster and sustain a broad based educational experience for all students.

Stoneham Middle School's Parent-Teacher Organization actively works with community businesses and organizations such as Stoneham Bank, IRA Nissan, and The Community Policing Unit to restore and maintain extra-curricular programs for its students. As a result of the help of these sponsors, students at the middle school have the opportunity to participate in Math League, Student Council, Homework Club and Great Books Club. In addition, through its fundraising efforts, the PTO Enrichment Committee provides in-school programs that serve to enhance curriculum objectives beyond the classroom. For example, students experienced Pyramids and Pharaohs and Chariot of the Sun. Be the Change, a multi-media presentation, helps our students to become strong school citizens. The community police provided an internet safety program to educate both students and parents.

The "Jump Up and Go!" Program has become an integral part of our school culture. Jump Up and Go! is an award winning, nationally recognized multi-dimensional health and wellness initiative designed to help children, their families and their communities become more physically active and develop lifelong healthy behaviors. This year, Stoneham Middle School was recognized as one of the best the best Jump Up and Go schools in Massachusetts, winning a $2,500 dollar bonus award. The program has provided students with many after-school activities. The walking club, karate, cooking club, drama, golf, and weight lifting are just a few of the tremendous opportunities that have been offered to students. A breakfast program was also instituted this past year, providing students with a cold breakfast of milk, juice and either cereal, a muffin or bagel.

The Middle School boasts a community of involved learners, parents and staff who respond unselfishly to the needs of their school and their town. The 1982 graduating class of Stoneham High School raised $13,000 dollars to perform a total makeover of the front of the school. Parents, students and members of the community donated money, materials and time to work on this project. The students of the school immersed themselves in the First Annual town wide Jump Up and Go Community Service Weekend. The students cleaned the courtyard and the auditorium as well as the entire outside of the building. The students did not limit their efforts to the Middle School; many areas throughout the town were beautified through the efforts of our students.

Our students are becoming aware of their civic duties and to be good citizens so that they can shape, rather than be shaped, by the world around them.

Stoneham High School

Introduction

Stoneham High School's October 1, 2006 enrollment was 871 in grades 9-12. This is a student decrease of 40 over 2005. For the 2006 - 2007 school year, Stoneham High School welcomed Chris Aprile, Chris Serino, and Richard Trakimas to the Special Education Department; Angela Billings to the Mathematics Department; Ron DiBona to the English Department; Michelle

Doyle to the Science Department. Due to budget constraints, Stoneham High School continues to experience large class sizes. For the current school year, there are more than 35 individual classes with an enrollment of 30+ students. The activity fee for athletics has remained at $250 per student, per sport.

99% of the Class of 2006 met the MCAS requirements for graduation. The Class of 2007 has maintained this high record of achievement and a 100% benchmark is also within sight for them.

Specific departmental reports outline other projects and achievements at Stoneham High School during 2006.

BUSINESS/TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION, FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES DEPARTMENT

- Brenda Tutko, Business Education Teacher, worked with the Chamber of Commerce and Sharon Iovanni running the Job Fair, held here at the High School in March.
- Cookies on the GO (sold to the high school students) and Catch-A-Cookie sold to elementary and middle school students and each class raised over $1000 to purchase gifts for less fortunate children and families during the holiday season.
- Sixty-seven students, from Deborah Deacon's Marketing classes, qualified and competed in the district DECA competition held last January. Twenty six students then qualified for the state competition. All received competency and two students placed in the top ten in the state in their category.
- Curriculum changes are being implemented in all areas of Business Education, Technology and Family & Consumer Sciences in conjunction with the Frameworks.

ENGLISH

- Ninety-seven percent of the students passed the 10th grade English MCAS. Eighty percent performed at an advanced or proficient level. The State rated Stoneham's performance in Language Arts as *High* with our improvement rating *Above Target.*

- Eighteen students took the Advanced Placement test in English. Nine received the highest two scores of **4**-*Well Qualified* or **5**- *Extremely Well Qualified.*

- Professional development experiences for secondary teachers included training sessions in the use of the Prentice Hall Literature series, Advanced Placement Teaching Institutes, What's New in Young Adult Literature, and workshops focusing on the implementation of the *6 Trait Writing Program*. Four staff members are involved in graduate programs for Masters in Education degrees. Their studies include exploration of multi-ethnic literature, and teaching strategies for the English Language Learner.

MATHEMATICS

- Ninety-three percent of the grade 10 students passed the 2006 MCAS math test and the average scaled score was 249.

- Fourteen students took the Calculus AB Advanced Placement test. Five students scored passing marks on the test.

- Robert MacDonald was the top scorer at Stoneham High School on the American High School Math Competition.

SCIENCE

- New textbooks were purchased for Physics. These replace texts with a copyright of 1991.

- The middle school science position lost two years ago is still vacant, class sizes are larger as a result and three of our science staff now teach two grade levels.
- The Biology field trip to the marsh was again a great success.
- The MWRA visited all Biology classes again this year and culminates with a field trip to Dear Island.
- The middle school science staff continues to review MCAS questions and revise curriculum to prepare our student for the MCAS exam. However, with the loss of the technology program at the middle school, scores on the science and technology MCAS will probably drop over the coming years.
- Science staff at the high school continues to prepare reports for the NEASC accreditation visit in 2006.
- Through a grant for the middle school, our science teachers are involved in the "Jump Up and Go" Program that teaches middle schoolers about health and nutrition issues.
- We are updating our textbooks in Anatomy and Physiology this year. This replaces texts with a copyright of 1995.
- Our Physics and Chemistry instructors are involved in a Science and Engineering program on Saturday morning at U. Mass. Amherst.
- Our middle school science staff have attended workshops on ESL, and Inclusion.
- New Text books were purchased for the eighth grade Physical Science Program.

SOCIAL STUDIES

During the past year, teachers in grades six through eleven continued developing lessons aligned with the *Massachusetts History and Social Science Framework* document.

- World History teachers in grade eight adopted *The Medieval World and Beyond*, the *History Alive!* textbook and curriculum.
- High School United States History teachers in grade eleven began working with the new United States History textbook, *America: Pathways*

to the Present published by Prentice Hall, the same text previously adopted for use in grade 10.

- Professional development experiences for secondary social studies teachers included coursework and workshops offered through: Research for Better Teaching, The Massachusetts Geographic Alliance, The Massachusetts Economic Council, Primary Source, Facing History and Ourselves, The Kennedy Library and many local state and private colleges.
- Sixty students took the United States History Advanced Placement Exam with 36 students earning a score of 3 or better.
- The High School Social Studies Department incorporated *National History Day* activities into the honors and Advanced Placement curricula in courses in grades 9-11. Over 100 students participated in the creation of historical exhibits, documentaries, performances and papers.

World Language

- 7 students took the Advanced Placement test in Spanish and all students received a 3 or better. Two received a 5. Four received a 4, and one received a 3.
- 9 students took the French AP exam and one student received a 5, one student received a 4, two students received a 2, and five students received a 1
- Italian AP was offered for the first time nationally and we had 12 students participate. Three students received a 3. One student received a 2 and eight students received a 1.
- 29 students took the National Latin Exam and 17 received awards:

Latin 1

Gold	9
Silver	4
Magna cum laude	3
Cum laude	1

- The World Language Department celebrated World Language Week with different ethnic foods, dance, music, and foreign language movies.
- Andrea Tringali and Pamela Vasile attended an Italian AP conference in Belmont, California
- Jessica Bethel continued to take courses for her Master Degree including a course in Spanish Culture and a course in Spanish Linguistics and Sociolinguistics.
- Jennifer Christopher took a Spanish Culture course at Salem State.
- Noel Tashjian tutored a child in the Stoneham Community in Spanish.
- Paige Griglun and Jessica Bethel traveled with 42 Spanish 4 and 5 students to New York City in March for a 2 day cultural/language immersion. They went to the Repertorio Espanol and saw a Spanish language play, Chronicle of a Death Foretold, by Gabriel Garcia Marquez. They toured the museum of modern art and dined at Mexico Lindo.

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

The goal of the Guidance Department is to assist each student in developing the academic, civic and social skills necessary to be healthy, responsible contributors to society. The major functions of the guidance department are educational, personal, college and career counseling, and group testing. The Guidance Department also oversees a Peer Mediation program

Students in grade two were administered the Iowa Reading Test. Students in grade five were administered the Iowa Test of Basic Skills. The results were consistent with scores in the last few years with students scoring above grade level in all areas.

Eleventh graders were offered career interest inventories and began the college exploration program through the Naviance program in the spring. All 11th graders planning to attend college were encouraged to take the PSAT test in October. The College Entrance Examination Board Test is given to interested high school

students at Stoneham High four times each year. Of the 216 members of the Class of 2006, 181 (84%) took an SAT test. Stoneham Students scored lower than both the state and national average on the Critical Reading and Math tests. They scored higher than the national average on the new Writing test.
One reason for the lower than average scores may be the higher % of students who take the test locally (84%) than nationally (48%).

The Massachusetts Board of Education mandated state tests (MCAS) were administered to students in grades 3 through 10. There were several areas of decline, notably the 10th grade ELA tests. In the new ELA and Math test administered this year in grades 4th – 8th, Stoneham students scored at or slightly above the state average.

The Guidance Department's mission encompasses much more than testing. Attached to this report is a copy of the high school *Guidance Calendar* which gives a good overview of the work and planning that occur throughout the year.

IOWA TEST OF BASIC SKILLS
2006 RESULTS

GRADE 2	VOCAB	COMP	WORD ANALYSIS	LISTENING	SPELLING	TOTAL
Test Date/Grade Level	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9	2.9
Actual G.E.	3.6	3.7	4.0	3.3	3.2	3.4
Difference	+.7	+.8	+1.1	+.4	+.3	+.5

The Grade 2 students took the Iowa Reading test. They scored above grade level in all areas.

Grade 5	READING	LANG. SKILLS	MATH SKILLS	CORE
Test Date/Grade Level	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
Actual G.E.	7.3	7.9	7.0	7.3
Difference	+1.6	+2.2	+1.3	+1.6

Grade 5	SOC. ST.	SCIENCE	SOURCE OF INFO	COMPOSITE
Test Date/Grade Level	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7
Actual G.E.	7.5	7.5	7.2	7.3
Difference	+1.8	+1.8	+1.5	+1.6

The grade 5 students took the full Iowa Test Battery. They scored at least one full year above grade level in all areas tested.

MCAS 2006 – SUMMARY

An overview of the 2006 MCAS tests for Stoneham students shows a decline in several areas.

- The 3rd grade Reading test showed a decline of 5% in students scoring in the Proficient and higher category and an increase of 6% at the Warning level.
- The 3rd grade Math test was new this year and Stoneham students scored slightly higher than the state average.
- The 4th grade ELA (-9) and Math (-7) scores showed a drop in the percentage of students scoring in the Advanced category and an increase in Warning (+5) in the Math.
- The 5th grade took new tests in both ELA and Math and their scores were fairly consistent with the state averages.
- In the Science & Technology test, there was a shift of -9% in the number of 5th graders from the Advanced and Proficient categories to Needs Improvement.
- The 6th grade Math test showed a decline with 10% more students falling into the Warning category.
- The scores for the new 6th grade ELA test were consistent with the state average.
- Grade 7 students dropped by 4% points from the Advanced category in ELA.
- In the new 7th grade Math test, students scored slightly higher than the state average.

- The 8th grade Math test saw a combined increase of 5% in the Advanced and Proficient levels.

- In the 8th grade Science and Technology test, 6% more students fell to the Warning level.

- On the new 8th grade ELA test, Stoneham students scored slightly higher than the state average.

- In the grade 10 ELA test there was a significant drop (25%) in the number of students scoring at the Advanced level and an increase of 31% scoring Proficient. Other towns also recorded a drop in the Advanced category but not as significant as ours.

- Scores in the 10th grade Math test were consistent with the 2005 results.

Students in grades 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10 took the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System tests (MCAS) in Spring 2006. Grade 3 took a Math and Reading tests. The results* were as follows:

	READING		MATH	
	Stoneham	State	Stoneham	State
	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 3	Grade 3
Above Proficient	12%	18%	1%	4%
Proficient	48%	40%	54%	48%
Needs Imp.	31%	34%	33%	32%
Warning	9%	8%	12%	16%

	ENGLISH		MATH		SCIENCE & TECH	
	Stoneham	State	Stoneham	State	Stoneham	State
	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4	Grade 4
Advanced	6%	8%	10%	15%		
Proficient	48%	42%	25%	25%		
Nds Imp.	38%	39%	51%	45%		
Warning	6%	10%	13%	13%		

	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5	Grade 5
Advanced	15%	15%	14%	17%	21%	17%
Proficient	44%	44%	25%	26%	36%	33%
Nds Imp.	33%	31%	41%	35%	35%	39%
Warning	7%	8%	19%	22%	8%	9%

	Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 6	Grade 6
Advanced	11%	10%	12%	17%		
Proficient	55%	54%	29%	29%		
Nds Imp.	27%	28%	32%	29%		
Warning	7%	7%	27%	24%		

	Grade 7	Grade 7	Grade 7	Grade 7	Grade 7	Grade 7
Advanced	5%	10%	11%	12%		

Proficient	68%	55%	34%	28%		
Nds Imp.	20%	26%	35%	32%		
Warning	7%	8%	20%	27%		

	Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8	Grade 8
Advanced	16%	12%	14%	12%	4%	4%
Proficient	67%	62%	30%	28%	25%	28%
Nds Imp.	15%	19%	45%	31%	51%	43%
Warning	3%	7%	16%	29%	20%	25%

	Grade 10	Grade 10	Grade 10	Grade 10	Grade 10	Grade 10
Advanced	18%	16%	39%	40%		
Proficient	66%	53%	35%	27%		
Nds Imp.	15%	25%	19%	21%		
Failing	<1%	6%	6%	11%		

*Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding.

The results of the Scholastic Aptitude Tests of the College Entrance Examination Board taken by 86% of Stoneham High School students in the class of 2006 were:

RANGE	VERBAL	MATHEMATICAL	READING
750 -- 800	0%	1%	2%
700 -- 749	3%	2%	1%
650 -- 699	4%	7%	3%
600 -- 649	9%	7%	11%
550 -- 599	13%	12%	16%
500 -- 549	20%	22%	17%
450 -- 499	21%	19%	25%
400 -- 449	16%	17%	13%
350 -- 399	10%	9%	9%
300 -- 349	2%	3%	1%
250 -- 299	2%	1%	1%
200 -- 249	-%	-%	-%

SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE TEST SCORES – CLASS OF 2005

	STONEHAM	NATIONAL	MASSACHUSETTS
CRITICAL READING	498	503	513
MATHEMATICS	500	518	524
WRITING	504	497	510

The guidance staff, teachers and administrators function as an effective team in placement of graduates. The follow-up of the members of the Class of 2005 indicated:

FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES	69.0%
TWO-YEAR REGIONALLY ACCREDITED COLLEGES	20.0%
OTHER SCHOOLS	6.0%
SERVICE	1.0%
EMPLOYED	4.0%
OTHER PLANS	.0%
TOTAL	100.0%

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Special Education Department is charged with (1) evaluating and assessing referred children to determine if they meet the criteria for special education services, (2) providing special education services, (3) developing educational plans to meet students' needs, and (4) re-evaluation and review of student progress. Special Education covers students who are not making effective progress in school and who are determined to have one or more of the following diagnoses:

> *Autism, Developmental Delay, Intellectual Impairment, Sensory Impairment (Hearing, Vision, Deaf-Blind), Neurological Impairment, Emotional Impairment, Communication Impairment, Physical Impairment, Health Impairment, and Specific Learning Disability*

The Special Education Department adheres to the rules and policies set forth by state (Chapter 766) and federal (IDEA) laws governing the education of students with special education needs. Under these laws, schools are mandated to deliver services required to assist children in receiving a free, appropriate public education in the least restrictive environment. Under these regulations, all students between the ages of three and twenty-two are eligible for services. The

State Department of Education has encouraged outreach to preschool children through early screening, beginning at age two and one-half.

The Special Education Department continues to support pre-referral measures through building-based Child Study or Teacher Assistance Teams that allow for modifications and accommodations of students' educational programs without the need for referral to special education. This is accomplished in conjunction with a variety of interdisciplinary and consultation models provided to classroom teachers by specialists. Special educators provide services within the classroom, thus reducing the need for labeling children, often eliminating the need to use a "pull-out" model, and moderating the number of referrals to special education.

Another model of service is provided through inclusion classrooms, where a regular and special education teacher co-teach. This allows children who might otherwise be placed in a more restrictive setting an opportunity to be with age-level peers. Our experience with this model demonstrates all (both regular and special education) students benefit from the support provided by two skilled teachers as well as the diversity of the classroom. Special education students, in particular, learn more age-appropriate social and academic behaviors and exhibit an increased level of self-esteem. Teachers continually enhance each other's teaching style through a daily exchange of skills and knowledge. The provision of special services within the regular classroom setting also demonstrates the Special Education Department's commitment to the integration of all services to children through an interdisciplinary model. Such a model allows for specialists of speech and language, hearing, vision, physical and occupational therapies to work with classroom teachers and invest the classroom curriculum with services relevant to the child's specific needs within the academic context of the classroom throughout the entire school day. Consultation between specialists and classroom teachers allows special education goals and objectives to be integrated in a relevant, clear and consistent manner.

The Special Education Department is committed to reducing the numbers of children identified as having special education needs and increasing children's ability to learn and develop. Nonetheless, there continues to be an

increase in the number of students who have significant needs, the number of students placed in out-of-district placements, as well as a steady increase in the demand for services across the board. Transportation costs also continue to rise rather relentlessly.

The Special Education Department continues its membership within the SEEM and Merrimack Education Collaboratives. This provides the District with the ability to share programs and services covering children who may otherwise be placed in more restrictive and sometimes more costly outside private placements to meet their special education needs. The Stoneham Public Schools' participation in the Collaboratives allows the Special Education Department to take a proactive role on behalf of our special education students.

The Special Education Department continually evaluates the needs of its special education students and uses this information to plan and implement programs that meet the needs of all special education students.

Our October 1st count had 581 students receiving special education services. Of these, 23 were in collaborative programs, and 22 were in day or residential schools outside of Stoneham.

It should be noted that the District has had significant increases in the number of preschoolers (3 and 4 year olds) referred for Special Education over the last few years. The increases we have seen are reflected in the October 1 count.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND ATHLETICS

The Physical Education and Athletic Department conducts a variety of programs including, but not limited to, required Physical Education and an Interscholastic Athletic program. These programs were planned and implemented to facilitate equal access to program offerings and facilities.

The Physical Education Department presently employs a total of 7.2 physical education teachers:

- 2.2 for the high school - 2 full-time
- 3.0 for the middle school - 3 full-time
- 2.0 for the elementary schools -2 full-time

Our physical education teachers, grades K-12, follow the physical education curriculum and present the proper physical conditioning for appropriate activities and teach skills in a safe and sequential manner.

Postural screenings for students in grades 5 through 9 and cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) classes for all grade 9 students were effectively conducted.

Our athletic program is made up of 22 varsity interscholastic sports, 12 sports for the girls' program and 10 sports for the boys' program. In addition, there are fall and winter cheerleading squads. In total there are 40 High School squads including Freshman, Junior Varsity and Varsity. In the winter of 2004-2005, girls' hockey team was started as a varsity sport. The overall goal of the athletic program at Stoneham High School is to provide equal opportunity for all student-athletes to reach their full potential as members of competitive teams. Each sport and each level of participation has specific goals and objectives, which fit into the framework of the athletic program.

During the past 2005-2006 school year, 871 slots were filled by participants in our sports program (fall - winter - spring). In our senior class of 221 students, 154 students played at least one sport in their careers at Stoneham High School, an impressive 70%.

2005 - 2006 MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Boys' Cross Country, Girls' Cross Country, Boys' Soccer and Girls' Swimming qualified for the MIAA State Tournament.
- Boys' Soccer won their third State Championship in four years moving up to Division Two
- 39 Student-athletes were selected to Middlesex League All-League teams for the year.

- Mark DeSantis was named the Boston Globe Division 2 Player of the Year in Boys Soccer and was also named MVP of the Middlesex League
- Jim Carino was named the Boston Globe Division 2 Coach of the Year
- Boys' Basketball, Girls' Basketball, Boys' Indoor Track and Girls' Indoor Track qualified for the MIAA State Tournament
- Taylor See was named All Scholastic in Gymnastics
- The 4 x 400 relay team of; Chelsey Canavan, Christina Izzicupo, Lindsay Kennedy, Lindsay Manfra and Emily Nardone were named to the Boston Globe All Scholastic Indoor Track team and competed at the National Indoor Track Championships in New York
- Boys' Baseball, Girls' Softball, Boys' Tennis, Boys' Outdoor Track and Girls' Outdoor Track qualified for the MIAA State Tournament
- Girls' Outdoor Track won the Middlesex League with a 9-0 record and also won the Division Three State Relays
- Christina Izzicupo was named a Boston Globe All Scholastic and was also named the MVP of the Middlesex League in Girls' Outdoor Track

2006 FALL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Boys' Cross Country, Girls' Cross Country, Golf, Boys' Soccer and Girls' Soccer qualified for the state tournament
- Boys' Soccer made it to the MIAA North Finals for the sixth year in a row
- Girls' Soccer had their most successful season in Stoneham Girls' Soccer History
- 18 Student-athletes were selected to Middlesex League All-League teams for the fall season
- Ali Simeone won the Catholic Memorial Invitational Meet
- Matt Brown was named MVP of the Middlesex League in Golf
- Derek Bambery was named a Boston Herald All Scholastic in Boys Soccer
- Mark Bruno was named a Boston Globe All Scholastic in Football

SAFETY – ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- Safety is an important part of our athletic program. The major items listed below are some of the highlights insuring the health and welfare of our student-athletes:
- students were equipped well for personal safety
- our equipment received proper maintenance
- our trainers from Advantage provided excellent medical support to our students
- our school physician, Dr. Pifko, and the school nurses screened and cared for the physical health of our athletes
- school maintenance workers gave careful attention to the condition of our fields for practices and games
- a cell phone and walkie-talkie communication system are part of our emergency plan system to respond to athletic injuries and emergencies and facilitate appropriate care

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT – ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

- The Stoneham Booster Club supported the Athletic Program through funding of awards and three banquets (fall, winter, spring)
- A major fundraiser was run again by the Booster Club to support the athletic program at Stoneham High School
- The third Stoneham High School Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet was held to honor past athletes, coaches and the 1995 Boys Baseball Team. The night was dedicated to Dr. William Hoyt, a coach, teacher, Principal, Superintendent and longtime supporter of Stoneham Athletics
- Many donations were made over the year to help support the Athletic Program

ATHLETIC SUMMARY 2006

Sport	Year	Athlete	Won	Lost	Tied	Coach	Season
Cheerleading-Fall	05-06	16				Eileen DiLisio	Fall
Cross Country (B)	05-06	15	7	2		Phil Riley	Fall
Cross Country (G)	05-06	11	4	5		Kevin Norton	Fall
Field Hockey (V/JV)	05-06	26	0	18		Lauren Izzicupo	Fall
Football (V/JV/F)	05-06	73	3	6		Bob Powers	Fall
Golf	05-06	12	0	9		Brian Seabury	Fall
Soccer (B) (V/JV/F)	05-06	67	14	3	1	Jim Carino	Fall
Soccer (G) (V/JV/F)	05-06	56	5	8	5	Sharon Chapman	Fall
Swimming	05-06	31	2	6		Chris Collins	Fall
Volleyball (V/JV)	05-06	23	4	6		Michelle Davison	Fall
Basketball (B) (V/JV/F)	05-06	40	2	16		Bill Killilea	Winter
Basketball (G) (V/JV/F)	05-06	30	9	9		Karen Grutchfield	Winter
Cheerleading - Winter	05-06	18				Lisa Walsh	Winter
Gymnastics	05-06	13	4	2		Annmarie McNeil	Winter
Ice Hockey (B) (V/JV)	05-06	42	1	13	4	Bill Seabury	Winter
Ice Hockey (G) (V)	05-06	17	2	14		Paul Hardy	Winter
Track - Winter (B)	05-06	66	5	4		Bob Powers	Winter
Track - Winter (G)	05-06	34	5	4		Kevin Norton	Winter
Baseball (V/JV/F)	05-06	49	6	12		Bill Seabury	Spring
Softball (V/JV)	05-06	35	9	9		Tom Johnson	Spring
Tennis (B)	05-06	13	9	9		Paul Atkinson	Spring
Tennis (G)	05-06	26	3	14	1	Jen Farabaugh	Spring

Track - Spring (B)	05-06	92	7	2		Bob Powers	Spring
Track - Spring (G)	05-06	66	9	0		Jerry Bailey	Spring
Total Participation		**871**					
Cheerleading-Fall	06-07	19				Eileen DiLisio	Fall
Cross Country (B)	06-07	10	6	3		Phil Riley	Fall
Cross Country (G)	06-07	9	2	7		Kevin Norton	Fall
Field Hockey (V/JV)	06-07	28	0	17	1	Lauren Izzicupo	Fall
Football (V/JV/F)	06-07	74	5	4		Bob Powers	Fall
Golf	06-07	12	3	6		Brian Seabury	Fall
Soccer (B) (V/JV/F)	06-07	60	10	2	6	Jim Carino	Fall
Soccer (G) (V/JV/F)	06-07	56	10	5	3	Sharon Chapman	Fall
Swimming	06-07	28	5	4		Chris Collins	Fall
Volleyball (V/JV)	06-07	26	4	6		Michelle Davison	Fall

Technology Services

Technology Services continues to provide technology to enhance the process of learning and teaching in all schools, despite having capital replacement funds frozen for the past two years. Our K-12 services support student and staff use of technology in teaching, learning, administration and business tasks.

Technology Services provided professional development training for teachers in the use of PowerPoint, and classroom video production using local cable company funding. Our EDTV teacher training program allowed teachers to produce a number of classroom video lessons using equipment and software provided with cable funds.

Local cable funds also allowed for the purchase and development of a video on demand server that is now online for playback of school events such as sports, music and other special school happenings. Technology Services is now capable

of going "live" to homes over educational access cable and the internet with video from any school or public building in town.

Another accomplishment of 2006 is the development of a system-wide web page that resides at www.stonehamschools.net. This is a work in progress developed and updated by schools and departments. Our technology web page hosts video-on-demand programs for playback on the web and other technology related information.

Stoneham Public Schools Technology Services has implemented electronic grade reporting at the Middle and High Schools this year and has also been involved with the selection and switch over to E-Sped electronic I.E.P. services for Special Education reporting of student records online.

As we look to future technology plans to advance, much depends upon budget. Our 2006-2010 Strategic Plan calls for technology improvement and includes a capital plan to provide for the timely upgrade and/or replacement of computer systems for administration, students and staff. It also includes a small, but necessary, expansion of technology support personnel. Stoneham Public Schools can only hope that budget exists to move forward in these areas.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

The Department of Public Works is now operating with a total complement of 29 full time employees. This includes Engineering and Administrative personnel as well as Water, Sewer, Highway, Cemetery, and Equipment Maintenance staffing. As noted in recent years, our current complement of employees necessitates the "privatization" of more aspects of our operation.

Jeffrey Oxman, the Assistant Town Engineer, and an employee of the Town for 42 years announced his retirement. Jeff is the most knowledgeable person on the Town's infrastructure and more importantly a great person and trusted friend. The Town will miss his presence and it will be impossible to replace his vast knowledge.

In 1981 there were 67 full time employees in the Department. Today's complement of 29 employees is not nearly enough to adequately and safely maintain the Town and its infrastructure while addressing everyday issues.

As a result, nearly all of our tree work including regular maintenance and emergency removal; maintenance of the Town's parks and public lands (including school fields); most of our sidewalk resurfacing and/or replacement; and most of our water main installations/replacements are accomplished by private contractors. This movement towards "privatization" leaves the Town shorthanded when confronted with emergencies such as hurricanes or major snowstorms. In order to provide adequate plowing services, additional contractors must be hired.

The Department is directly involved in the Town's recycling program. The drop-off center and leaf programs were very active and successful. In order to better serve the residents, seven curbside leaf pickups were scheduled during the spring and fall, a hazardous waste day in October, and a Christmas tree pick-up in early January. Curbside recycling participation has been exceptional. A book drop off has been added to the Recycling Center. Again in 2006, the trash fee helped to offset the spiraling costs of rubbish disposal.

Once again, the Department took advantage of the State offered inmate work/release program. Several weeks of work were performed by this group, including grass mowing, leaf raking and general cleanup of the cemetery. This program has proven to be a valuable supplement to the depleted D.P.W. forces. However, due to increasing demand by other communities, obtaining this help is becoming more difficult each year.

ENGINEERING

Working under the direction and guidance of the Public Works Director/Town Engineer, Engineering plans and supervises the diverse activities performed by the Public Works Department. The activities range from trench and pothole repair, to sign installation and replacement, to water main replacement

and sanitary sewer and storm drainage design, to assessing and selecting locations for new trees, to cemetery roadway and plot planning, construction and plot layout, to contract and bid specification writing, site plan and subdivision review with associated surety need estimates and subsequent updates. This division also oversees the planning, design, construction, and renovation of the many miles of water, sewer, and storm drainage piping within the Town's distribution and collection systems; the 70 mile plus roadway network; and the maintenance of the various buildings and properties under the control of the Department of Public Works, including maintenance of the Town Hall. In addition, Engineering serves as a consultant to virtually every Town department and committee.

Engineering is also responsible for the maintenance, upgrading and updating of the multitude of plans and records kept by the Department. Scaled drawings and field sketches indicating the age, type and location of virtually every sewer and water main, and each service connection, as well as the related pumping stations and appurtenances, are maintained and updated so as to provide all necessary information on short notice.

During the year, the Division prepared bidding documents, solicited bids and evaluated proposals for 15 different contracts. Nearly 50 proposals for various equipment, materials, services and construction contracts were received, considered and recommendations for award or rejection rendered. In November, a silent auction was held to dispose of obsolete equipment.

The Board of Selectmen forwarded ten new or revised site plans for our review and evaluation during 2006. Considerable time was expended reviewing projects at the end of Manison Street (2 buildings), 8-10 Common Street, 426 Main Street (Love's Furniture), 10 Pomeworth Street condominiums, 5-7 Hill Court, and the end of Fallon Road (Home Depot). The Planning Board requested our input regarding four subdivisions consisting of over 20 lots.

Every subdivision plan submitted to the Planning Board is thoroughly reviewed in terms of roadway and utility design and conformity to regulations, as well as the overall impact of the development on local neighborhoods. Once a subdivision plan is approved and the developer is ready to initiate construction, Engineering calculates the amount of surety required to ensure the ultimate completion of the subdivision. For each subdivision, several surety adjustment recommendations must be made during the course of construction and prior to final release. In addition, Engineering is responsible for the daily inspection of all ongoing roadway and utility work being performed in the various subdivisions and at construction sites, as well as the final inspection of each subdivision and the development of a punch list for completion prior to the final surety release.

As of November 1, 2000, the Town of Stoneham purchased the 1560 streetlights in Town from NStar (formerly Boston Edison Company). Upgrades, additions, and repairs are now performed by way of a contract with Wakefield Municipal Light Department. Nearly all maintenance issues are resolved in a timely fashion, the exception being problems with direct bury wiring from the

early 1980's. Trenching and conduit installation to repair several longstanding outages will be accomplished as funding allows.

The Cross Connection Control program was initiated in 1992 in order to comply with the applicable provisions of Public Law 93-523, the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974; and Massachusetts Regulation 310 CMR, Section 22.22, Protection of Sources of Water. Beta Programs International, Inc., is providing continuing building surveying, device testing and computer services.

Acting in their capacity as consultants, the Engineers are continuously called upon to assist in the development and review of the plans for the many specialized projects undertaken by the Town.

Engineering continues working with and administering the contracts of various consulting engineering firms. Among the consulting firms are:

1. Beta Programs International, Inc. (Cross Connection Control)
2. Malcolm Pirnie, Inc. (Sewer System Evaluation and Improvements)
3. Tremco Roofing (Roof Evaluations)
4. Water & Waste Pipe Testing (water leak detection survey)
5. Fay, Spofford and Thorndike, Inc. (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit); drainage study

During 2006, areas within the northwest section which had been identified as potential problems were filmed with in-line equipment. This additional filming identified a spot repair on Albion Avenue requiring the replacement of a ten foot section of eight inch sewer main and portions of two service lines.

Contracts are being prepared for relining (pipes and manholes), spot repairs, and testing and sealing in the Middlesex/Peabody Road and Lincolnville areas, as well as areas in the Northwest section of Town. This work will be bid in 2007. In addition, the Northwest and Fallon Road sewer pumping stations are currently being evaluated and replacement proposals considered. The Sewer System Evaluation Study has been very successful in reducing infiltration and inflow in the Town's sewer system.

Other significant projects were as follows:

1. Town sidewalk/curbing installation/upgrading program and/or Chapter 90 funded sidewalk work.
2. Clean up Spring Lane and Stevens Street storage and recycling yards.
3. Providing appropriate plans and supporting documentation and holding hearings associated with the acceptance of streets as Public Ways.
4. Coordination of the installation, upgrading, and maintenance of street lighting.
5. Leaf disposal program
6. Development of the annual paving program including the submission of various project request forms and subsequent reimbursement request forms related to work being done with state funding (Chapter 90).

7. Administering contracts for the maintenance of the Town Common, Main Street islands, and parks including mowing and irrigation.
8. Snow plow contractor hiring, route assignment, and coordination of efforts related to plowing, salting, and sanding operations; as well as plowing at schools and school crossings.

HIGHWAY

Cold planning and paving was provided by Aggregate Industries of Saugus, MA. The following streets or portions thereof were excavated by cold planer and resurfaced by Aggregate industries during 2006:

1. Citation Avenue
2. Drummond Road
3. Edwards Road
4. Kirmes Road
5. Hillside Avenue
6. Lincoln Street Extension
7. Morrison Avenue
8. North Avenue
9. Park Street
10. Phillips Road
11. Gerry Street (west)
12. Linden Street
13. Raymond Road
14. Montvale Avenue

HIGHWAY- Paving by a contractor during 2006

1. Micah's Pond Way (formerly Sam Miles Circle)

SHADE TREE PROGRAM

Lack of funding resulted in a reduction in the number of trees purchased and planted during 2006. Hopefully more money will be available in the future to expand this popular program. Only 20 trees were planted during 2006.

SIDEWALK UPGRADING

Funding was restored for addressing the extensive list of sidewalk issues that have been accumulating for several years. As a result sidewalk replacement/resurfacing was done from that list in addition to work on the year's Chapter 90 resurfacing projects. Sidewalk improvements were made by Town forces as well as two contractors, LaRovere Design/Build Corp. of Everett (for granolithic), and D & R General Contracting of Stoneham (for bituminous concrete).

Granolithic (concrete) sidewalk work was performed on the following streets:

1. DeWitt Road
2. Everett Street
3. Lincoln Street
4. Linden Street
5. Montvale Avenue
6. North Avenue
7. Park Street
8. Pleasant Street

Bituminous (hot top) sidewalk work was performed on the following streets:

1. Citation Avenue
2. Gerry Street (west)
3. Linden Street
4. Montvale Avenue
5. Morrison Avenue
6. North Avenue
7. North Street
8. Oak Street
9. Sunset Road

CATCH BASIN CLEANING

Approximately 2,000 catch basins and drain manholes were cleaned by D&M Catch Basin Cleaning, Billerica, Massachusetts. The key to a trouble-free drainage system is the timely sweeping of all streets in early spring, followed immediately by the cleaning of all catch basins to remove winter sand and other debris. Due to fiscal constraints, sweeping services were provided only by our own sweeper, thus extending the time to complete the project. Experience has shown that it is much easier to remove foreign materials from street surfaces and catch basins than it is from storm drainage piping. A well-timed program minimizes flooding in streets and on private property by keeping the storm drainage system free of sand and debris.

TRAFFIC LINE PAINTING AND SIGNAL MAINTENANCE

1. Hi-Way Safety Systems, Inc. Hanover, Massachusetts, provided line, word, and symbol painting.
2. Traffic signal maintenance was provided by Electric Light Company, Inc., of Cape Neddick, Maine.

WATER CONSTRUCTION BY TOWN

		SIZE	LENGTH	GATES	HYDRANTS
1.	Campbell Road	4"	303'-3"	2	0
2.	Chase Road	8"	348'-3"	1	0
3.	Pond Street	8"	1,363'-8"	6	3
4.	Seward Road	8"	193'-4"	1	1
5.	Sheridan Road	8"	662'-6"	3	0
6.	Washington Court	6"	200'	0	0

Additional water work was accomplished on Marble Street (west of Park Street), and sections of William Street. On those streets (and others), when new mains were installed service lines were not transferred and thus the old main had to remain in service. On Marble and William Streets the old mains had deteriorated, the services were transferred during 2006 and the old mains taken out of service.

SNOW FIGHTING

The total snowfall for the 2005-2006 winter season was 49 inches. Six storms needed to be plowed, the largest being snowfalls of 16 inches on February 12, 2006; 12 inches on December 9, 2005; and 6 on January 23, 2006.

CEMETERY

Number of lots sold – January through December 31, 2006 – 65
Number of interments – January through December 31, 2006 – 80

TREE DIVISION

The budget for FY07 voted at the 2006 Annual Town Meeting again provided minimal tree maintenance monies. As a result, no contractors could be retained under an annual contract to provide for trimming or emergency work.

Trees removed – 47
Stumps ground – 51

MISCELLANEOUS CALLS

The following work was performed by Department personnel in response to phone calls. Department action may have required 15 minutes work by one man, or several days work by a crew of three or four men with trucks and an excavator.

SEWER RELATED CALLS

1.	Main sewer plugs	45
2.	Sewer service plugs	50
3.	Sewer service excavation/repair	6
4.	Miscellaneous sewer calls	45

WATER RELATED CALLS

1.	Water main break	5
2.	Water service repairs including service gates	45
3.	Meter repairs/replacements/readings	475
4.	Water turn on/off	80
5.	Rusty water calls	35 (some were internal problems)
6.	Miscellaneous calls	130
7.	Hydrant repairs	25 (8 leaks included)
8.	Hydrant replacement	12

9.	Water service relays	15
10.	Frozen service calls	5

DRAIN RELATED CALLS

1.	Miscellaneous drain calls	75
2.	Drain repairs/replacements	12

MISCELLANEOUS CALLS

1.	Sign installations/replacements/repairs	260
2.	Dead animal pick-ups	135

SERVICE INSTALLATIONS BY CONTRACTOR

1.	New water services	12
2.	New sewer services	12

MISCELLANEOUS WORK

1. Winterize hydrants
2. Sewer flushing program, continuous critical area inspection
3. Install and remove Christmas lights/decorations
4. Repair and fill sand barrels
5. Rake and pick up leaves from Town properties
6. Shade tree program
7. Water meter replacement program
8. Remote reader installation program
9. Weekly recycling program
10. Water main flushing program
11. Clean sump chambers at pumping stations
12. Seasonally change decorative banners along Main Street
13. Replace or repair defective hydrants as necessary.
14. Replace damaged and/or missing regulatory and street signs. Add signs as needed.
15. Hazardous waste collection
16. Clearing critical catch basin grates.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

In facing over a $2,000,000 deficit for Fiscal Year 2007, the Town voted at the Annual Town Meeting on May 1, 2006, to use $550,000 from the Stabilization Fund. The Town found it necessary to implement a $160 per residential unit trash fee. This new fee is estimated to generate about $950,000 to help offset some of the deficit for Fiscal Year 2007.

For Fiscal Year 2006, the Town generated surplus of $94,839 which was certified as free cash by the State. This was much smaller than the $640,872 amount that was certified last fiscal year.

The Accounting Department continued operating without an Assistant Town Accountant for the entire year. In this period of time we continued to provide day-to-day critical tasks essential to the Town's operation by working smarter, more efficiently, and for many additional volunteered hours. During this time we developed and implemented new spreadsheets and systems for faster and more accurate reporting, as well as established better internal procedures through expanded internal audits.

I am most impressed that many of our new procedures and systems have had very good success and are being maintained at a high level of performance.

But most importantly we continue to develop benchmarks based on information for similar sized operations; most notably the Benchmark 17 for the Stoneham Retirement System. These benchmarks, if used wisely, will assure that the taxpayers of Stoneham get the results they deserve for their tax dollars. Without benchmarking, how are we to compare our performance and determine if it was better than average or worse than average? I personally believe the taxpayers of Stoneham deserve "better than average" results. Benchmarking removes most of the "noise" and "confusion". It is a very effective tool.

Though we have many more areas requiring better procedures, systems, and benchmarking, the extra effort will continue to yield significantly improved cash flow benefits to Stoneham residents now and into the future.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to Patricia Queeney, Full-Time Office Assistant, and Karen Brown, Part-Time Office Assistant, for their hard work and dedication. They have been called upon to look at our work in a manner that requires new approaches, new systems and documentation including my encouragement to have them ask questions, to follow up, and to offer their opinions. Their commitment to me and to the Town of Stoneham is apparent and much appreciated.

Special thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Finance & Advisory Board, and Ronald Florino, Town Administrator for their continued support as we navigate through these difficult financial times.

Sincerely,
Ronald Castignetti
Town Accountant

TOWN OF STONEHAM
FISCAL YEAR 2006 REVENUES

DESCRIPTION	FY'06 EST. REVENUE	FY'06 ACTUAL REVENUE	FY'06 SURPLUS /(DEFICIT)
REAL ESTATE TAXES	31,867,532	31,919,847.20	52,314.99
PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES	534,328	527,069.10	(7,258.69)
TRASH FEES	870,966	886,698.68	15,732.68
TAX LIENS	0	75,734.52	75,734.52
MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE	2,750,000	2,727,713.34	(22,286.66)
PENALTIES/INTEREST ON TAXES & EXCISE	175,000	146,056.05	(28,943.95)
PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES	32,000	39,893.66	7,893.66
STATE AID	9,269,722	9,253,026.87	(16,695.13)
LOCAL RECEIPTS:			
FEES	218,000	353,368.80	135,368.80
RENTALS	3,300	3,454.99	154.99
DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE			
_ SCHOOLS	129,000	273,863.36	144,863.36
_ LIBRARIES	2,100	1,535.32	(564.68)
_ CEMETERIES	100,000	71,062.50	(28,937.50)
_ RECREATION	1,330,000	1,363,340.65	33,340.65
OTHER DEPARTMENTAL REVENUE	14,000	20,262.87	6,262.87
LICENSES & PERMITS	554,000	439,335.22	(114,664.78)
FINES & FORFEITS(Parking & Dog Fines)	14,000	14,777.00	777.00
INVESTMENT INCOME	80,000	189,241.14	109,241.14
DISTRICT COURT FINES	0	16,617.00	16,617.00
PENSION REIMBURSEMENTS	0	3,184.80	3,184.80
B&M SETTLEMENT	0	30,000.00	30,000.00
TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES	47,943,948	48,356,083.07	412,135.07
TOTAL SEWER ENTERPRISE REVENUES	4,467,430	4,470,214.80	2,784.80
TOTAL WATER ENTERPRISE REVENUES	3,688,348	3,682,011.06	(6,336.94)

TOWN OF STONEHAM
Budget vs Actual Summary
Fiscal Year 2006

Depart. #	Department	PERSONNEL FY'06 Budget	PERSONNEL Year-to-date Expended	PERSONNEL % Used	OPERATING FY'06 Budget	OPERATING Year-to-date Expended	OPERATING % Used	TOTAL BUDGET FY'06 Budget	TOTAL BUDGET Year-to-date Expend.	TOTAL BUDGET % Used
114	Town Moderator	5,237	5,120	97.77%	0	0	0.00%	5,237	5,120	97.77%
122	Board of Selectmen	76,490	76,401	99.88%	14,447	14,219	98.42%	90,937	90,620	99.65%
123	Town Administrator	293,496	292,072	99.51%	78,379	77,916	99.41%	371,875	369,988	99.49%
131	Finance Board	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
132	F&A Reserve Fund	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
135	Town Accountant	151,403	150,534	99.43%	33,050	30,659	92.77%	184,453	181,193	98.23%
141	Assessors	154,510	153,625	99.43%	11,300	11,299	99.99%	165,810	164,924	99.47%
145	Town Treasurer	245,011	244,695	99.87%	31,005	22,921	73.93%	276,016	267,616	96.96%
151	Town Counsel	98,601	98,483	99.88%	17,225	12,262	71.19%	115,826	110,745	95.61%
155	MIS/GIS/DP	7,500	7,500	100.00%	70,735	70,705	99.96%	78,235	78,205	99.96%
161	Town Clerk	146,623	145,082	98.95%	5,845	5,416	92.66%	152,468	150,498	98.71%
162	Elec. & Reg.	31,960	28,637	89.60%	27,100	26,799	98.89%	59,060	55,436	93.86%
172	Whip Hill park	47,273	46,097	97.51%	8,251	8,213	99.54%	55,524	54,310	97.81%
182	Comm. Dev./Planning	37,770	34,881	92.35%	1,600	1,001	62.56%	39,370	35,882	91.14%
192	Public Property Maint.	29,954	29,267	97.71%	78,112	76,948	98.51%	108,066	106,215	98.29%
210	Police	3,281,357	3,281,316	100.00%	307,740	307,222	99.83%	3,589,097	3,588,538	99.98%
211	Traffic Directors	97,900	97,840	99.94%	4,500	2,960	65.78%	102,400	100,800	98.44%
212	Dispatchers	316,513	316,146	99.88%	5,020	2,943	58.63%	321,533	319,089	99.24%
220	Fire	2,650,244	2,608,384	98.42%	141,658	137,999	97.42%	2,791,902	2,746,383	98.37%
241	Building & Wire	180,239	163,017	90.44%	14,590	29,545	202.50%	194,829	192,562	98.84%
291	Civil Defense	24,404	24,404	100.00%	5,050	5,050	100.00%	29,454	29,454	100.00%
300	Schools	18,049,849	18,049,849	100.00%	3,860,091	3,860,091	100.00%	21,909,940	21,909,940	100.00%
399	Vocational Schools	0	0	0.00%	479,224	479,224	100.00%	479,224	479,224	100.00%
400	Public Works	717,880	717,679	99.97%	2,180,380	2,179,707	99.97%	2,898,260	2,897,386	99.97%
510	Board of Health	122,196	119,294	97.63%	4,240	5,236	123.49%	126,436	124,530	98.49%
541	Council on Aging	125,010	124,949	99.95%	35,796	34,529	96.46%	160,806	159,478	99.17%
542	Youth Commission	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
543	Veterans Service	10,455	10,455	100.00%	55,257	53,299	96.46%	65,712	63,754	97.02%
610	Public Library	575,813	570,294	99.04%	158,740	158,739	100.00%	734,553	729,033	99.25%
630	Unicorn/Par 3 Golf Courses	260,813	259,393	99.46%	326,876	307,207	93.98%	587,689	566,600	96.41%
631	Stoneham Arena	195,339	196,058	100.37%	244,286	263,841	108.00%	439,625	459,899	104.61%
710	Maturing Debt	0	0	0.00%	3,089,679	2,980,000	96.45%	3,089,679	2,980,000	96.45%
750	Interest	0	0	0.00%	1,977,129	1,972,215	99.75%	1,977,129	1,972,215	99.75%
910	Non-Contributory	63,768	63,589	99.72%	0	0	0.00%	63,768	63,589	99.72%
911	Contributory	3,770,912	3,770,912	100.00%	0	0	0.00%	3,770,912	3,770,912	100.00%
918	Capital	0	0	0.00%	48,030	48,030	100.00%	48,030	48,030	100.00%
919	Unclassified	0	0	0.00%	2,626,367	2,562,020	97.55%	2,626,367	2,562,020	97.55%
920	Non-Departmental	0	0	0.00%	35,229	34,042	96.63%	35,229	34,042	96.63%
	TOTAL GENERAL	**31,768,520**	**31,685,973**	**99.74%**	**15,976,931**	**15,782,257**	**98.78%**	**47,745,451**	**47,468,230**	**99.42%**
440	Sewer	596,235	595,857	99.94%	73,025	73,104	100.11%	669,260	668,961	99.96%
440	Intergovernmental	0	0	0.00%	3,224,211	3,206,627	99.45%	3,224,211	3,206,627	99.45%
710	Maturing Debt	0	0	0.00%	97,679	52,679	53.93%	97,679	52,679	53.93%
750	Interest	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
	TOTAL SEWER	**596,235**	**595,857**	**99.94%**	**3,394,915**	**3,332,410**	**98.16%**	**3,991,150**	**3,928,267**	**98.42%**
450	Water	584,490	584,478	100.00%	156,675	157,191	100.33%	741,165	741,669	100.07%
440	Intergovernmental	0	0	0.00%	2,443,585	2,406,521	98.48%	2,443,585	2,406,521	98.48%
710	Maturing Debt	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
750	Interest	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0.00%
	TOTAL WATER	**584,490**	**584,478**	**100.00%**	**2,600,260**	**2,563,712**	**98.59%**	**3,184,750**	**3,148,190**	**98.85%**

TOWN OF STONEHAM
Summary Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2006

Assets	General Fund	Revolving Fund	Federal/ State Grants	Other Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Sewer Enterprise Fund	Water Enterprise Fund	Trust Funds	Agen Fund
Cash - Unrestricted Checking	3,216,869								
- Restricted Checking		357,012	367,255	924,125	1,206,072	1,001,250	435,592	3,256,905	38
- Restricted Savings				319,097					
Trash fee - 2006	90,769								
Personal Property Tax - 2007	(4)								
Personal Property Tax - 2006	14,597								
Personal Property Tax - 2005	12,865								
Personal Property Tax - 2004	13,595								
Personal Property Tax - Prior Years	126,291								
Real Estate Tax - 2007	(13,440)								
Real Estate Tax - 2006	642,834								
Real Estate Tax - 2005	143,217								
Real Estate Tax - 2004	55,679								
Real Estate Tax - Prior Years	136,921								
Allowance for Abate/Exemptions	(1,273,056)								
Tax Liens	199,185								
Deferred Real Estate Taxes	166,759								
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - 2006	132,699								
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - 2005	48,324								
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - 2004	36,355								
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - 2003	19,277								
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax - Prior Years	62,971								
User Charges Receivable - Sewer						415,793			
User Charges Receivable - Water							269,791		
Utility Liens Receivable						20,137	27,584		
Apportioned Assessment Not Yet Due						52,062	6,836		
Due From State Government									5
Amount to be provided for GLTD									
Total Assets	**3,832,707**	**357,012**	**367,255**	**1,243,222**	**1,206,072**	**1,489,242**	**739,803**	**3,256,905**	**43**

TOWN OF STONEHAM
Summary Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2006

Liabilities and Fund Balances	General Fund	Revolving Fund	Federal/ State Grants	Other Special Revenue	Capital Projects	Sewer Enterprise Fund	Water Enterprise Fund	Trust Funds	Agen Fund
Warrants Payable	236,204	12,006	31,282	1,408	12,435	-	7,364	779	1
Accrued Payroll	254,988	2,628	4,330	320		6,142	6,170	235	15
Bond Anticipation Notes Payable									
Paid Details(Police, Fire, & Custodial)									(148
Due to Comm. of Mass./Other Agencies									
Unclaimed Items	26,501								
Guaranteed Deposits	1,198			319,097					
Deferred Revenue:									
- Uncollected Trash Fee	90,769								
- Uncollected Property Tax	(140,501)								
- Uncollected Def. Real Estate	166,759								
- Uncollected Tax Liens	199,185								
- Uncollected Motor Veh. Exc.	299,625								
- Uncollected User Charges						415,793	269,791		
- Uncollected Utility Liens						60,823	27,584		
- Uncollected Gov't Receivables									
- Uncollected Special Assess.						11,376	6,836		
Payroll Withholdings	92,948								
Other Liabilities									173
General Long Term Obligation Bonds									
Total Liabilities	**1,227,676**	**14,634**	**35,612**	**320,825**	**12,435**	**494,134**	**317,745**	**1,014**	**43**
Undesignated Fund Balance	1,574,386								
Fund Balance:									
- Res. for Expenditures	342,000								
- Res. for Continuous Approp.	149,045					429,819	300,617		
- Reserved for Encumbrances	539,600					20	2,764		
- Designated Under Assessments									
- Designated Federal Grants			64,986						
- Designated State Grants			266,657						
- Designated Revolving Fund		342,378							
- Reserved for Appropriation				208,014					
- Reserved for Special Purposes				714,383	1,193,637	565,269	118,677	3,255,891	

Town of Stoneham
Schedule of Federal & State Grants
As of June 30, 2006

Federal Grants	Balance 7/1/2005	Received FY 06	Total Available	Expended FY 06	Balance 6/30/2006
Digital Booking System	(31,471)		(31,471)		(31,471)
FEMA Food & Shelter	0		0		0
Copsmore Grant	33,782		33,782		33,782
FEMA Snow Emergency Funds	0		0		0
Community Develop.-Ready Resource Grant	(26,531)	24,689	(1,842)		(1,842)
Seatbelt Enforcement Grant	7,286		7,286		7,286
Wakefield Voc. School Project (Police)	1,719		1,719		1,719
FEMA Fire Training Grant	25,250		25,250		25,250
FEMA BOH Emergency Preparedness Grant	402	3,133	3,534	1,145	2,390
Safe & Drug Free Schools	14,908	12,344	27,252	15,765	11,487
Title I - Reading Program	13,786	241,784	255,570	238,643	16,927
Title VIB-Special Education for Handicapped (94-142)	(152,508)	720,574	568,066	574,102	(6,036)
Title VIB - Early Childhood Development	(0)	14,943	14,943	21,490	(6,547)
Title II/VIB - Block Grant	0	6,693	6,693	6,575	118
SPED Electronic Portfolio Grant	1		1		1
Title II Enhancing Education via Tech.	1,971	5,719	7,690	4,831	2,860
SPED Program Improvements	3,047	12,704	15,750	10,846	4,904
Title II Improving Educator Quality	(24,627)	104,548	79,921	70,841	9,079
Fire - Homeland Security Local Preparedness	(4,922)		(4,922)		(4,922)
Total Federal Grants	**(137,908)**	**1,147,130**	**1,009,223**	**944,237**	**64,985**

Town of Stoneham
Schedule of Federal & State Grants
As of June 30, 2006

State Grants	Balance 7/1/2005	Received FY 06	Total Available	Expended FY 06	Balance 6/30/2006
Student Awareness Fire Education (S.A.F.E.)	4,532	8,165	12,698	7,111	5,586
Police Bullet Proof Vests	3,759		3,759		3,759
Transportation for the Elderly	(4,611)	32,355	27,745	26,182	1,562
Community Policing	36,901	46,313	83,214	32,295	50,918
Mass Releaf Tree Grant	8,983		8,983		8,983
Fire Department Hazmat Grant	2,201	5,978	8,178	3,012	5,166
Mass. Incentive Recycling Program	18,467	1,400	19,867		19,867
Law Enforcement Trust	62,314	2,166	64,480	10,851	53,629
State Aid to Public Libraries	151,385	24,972	176,357	52,868	123,489
Weights & Measures-Purchase Equipment	229		229		229
Franklin Street Fire Alarm Grant	(0)		(0)		(0)
DEQE Waterwaste Systems	8,699		8,699	5,963	2,735
Arts & Lottery Grant	5,111	4,777	9,888	4,874	5,014
Police Safety Equipment	1,972		1,972		1,972
Firefighter's Safety Equipment	31,000		31,000	29,274	1,726
CH 811 Highway Improvements	10,060		10,060		10,060
Street Improvement Grant	7,746		7,746		7,746
CH 291 of the Acts of 2005	0	173,287	173,287	210,519	(37,232)
CH 291B of the Acts of 2005	0		0		0
CH 246 of the Acts of 2002	(16,579)	16,579	0		0
CH 90 of the Acts of 2004	(115,469)	262,629	147,160	147,160	0
Reserved for Educational Reform	271		271		271
Mentorship Grant	1,123		1,123		1,123
Kindergarten Enhancement Program	0	34,050	34,050	31,603	2,447
Academic Support Grant	0	2,885	2,885	5,605	(2,720)
School "Pothole " Grant	9,363		9,363	9,039	324
Elementary Schoolwide Literacy Program	0		0		0
Total State Grants	**348,747**	**615,556**	**843,012**	**576,356**	**266,656**
Total Federal & State Grants	**210,839**	**1,762,686**	**1,852,235**	**1,520,594**	**331,641**

Town of Stoneham
Schedule of Other Special Revenue
As of June 30, 2006

Revolving Funds	Balance 7/1/2005	Received FY 06	Total Available	Expended FY 06	Balance 6/30/2006
School Lunch Program	(4,868)	688,976	684,108	682,985	1,123
Wetland Protection Fees	5,914	10,370	16,284	7,396	8,888
E-Rate Discount	84	10,689	10,773	9,772	1,001
Full Day Kindergarten	54,740	173,470	228,210	202,585	25,625
Rental of Tax Possession Property	6,250		6,250		6,250
Public Health Fund	14,279	6,179	20,458	6,652	13,806
Athletic Fund	31,250	227,971	259,221	215,259	43,962
Adult Evening School	923	1,523	2,446	1,393	1,053
Summer School Program	13,074	625	13,699	6,741	6,958
Youth Commission	31,376	145,346	176,721	127,048	49,673
Insurance Reimbursement Under $20,000.	17,938	49,356	67,294	31,757	35,536
Senior Citizen Outings	5,348	7,241	12,589	6,953	5,636
Parking and Traffic Enforcement	0	49,860	49,860	23,436	26,424
Tuition Reimbursement for Out of Town Children	19,115	373,657	392,772	346,870	45,902
Rental of School Buildings	15,332	419,144	434,476	419,476	15,000
Composting Bins	85,726	8,070	93,796	91,486	2,310
ADA Parking Fines	16,205	1,105	17,310		17,310
Rental of Senior Center	2,882	100	2,982		2,982
H. S Extension	5,421		5,421		5,421
School Bus Transportation	2,990		2,990	2,990	0
Pre School Program	34,808	171,634	206,442	184,766	21,676
School Age/After School Child Care	30,983	283,465	314,448	314,448	0
High School Drama Program	6,105	5,075	11,180	9,447	1,732
School Instrumental Music Program	1,800	12,326	14,126	10,016	4,110
Total Revolving Funds	**397,674**	**2,646,181**	**3,043,856**	**2,701,477**	**342,378**

Receipts Reserved for Appropriations	Balance 7/1/2005	Received FY 06	Total Available	Expended FY 06	Balance 6/30/2006
Sale of Foreclosed Property	85,554		85,554		85,554
Sale of Cemetery Lots	103,260	59,200	162,460	40,000	122,460
Total Receipts Reserved for Appropriations	**188,814**	**59,200**	**248,014**	**40,000**	**208,014**

Town of Stoneham
Schedule of Other Special Revenue
As of June 30, 2006

Individual Gifts & Donations	Balance 7/1/2005	Received FY 06	Total Available	Expended FY 06	Balance 6/30/2006
Board of Selectmen-- General Donations	1,225		1,225		1,225
A T & T Broadband--Return line	30,000		30,000		30,000
Town Common Donations	8,289	7,500	15,789	6,973	8,816
Donations for Flags	10	800	810	810	0
Whip Hill Upkeep	5,719	5,500	11,219	7,452	3,767
Stoneham Historical Com Square Parking Study	1,070		1,070	70	1,000
BRMC Donation-Exercise Instructor	427		427		427
Basketball Court Donations	95		95		95
Redstone Donation-Traffic Island	0	2,000	2,000	2,000	0
Stoneham Middle School Music Club	1,380		1,380		1,380
Tree Service Donations	4,949		4,949	2,000	2,949
Park & Street Donations	11,681	9,236	20,917	4,591	16,326
Community Policing Donations	897		897		897
Public Safety Donation (BJ's)	8,932		8,932	1,698	7,234
Civic Improvement Donation	5,000		5,000		5,000
Optical Receiver/Landscaping Donations	2,551		2,551		2,551
BJ's Site Plan (Traffic Lights)	26,000		26,000		26,000
Board of Selectmen - Von Dreathen	1,306		1,306		1,306
Board of Selectmen - Stockwell Fund	1,327		1,327		1,327
Police Donations	370		370		370
Fire - NE Memorial Hospital (Super Pass)	785		785		785
D.A.R.E. Program Donations	10,135	1,471	11,606	414	11,192
Conservation Commission Donation	25		25		25
A T & T License Renewal--Capital	146,425		146,425	29,546	116,880
A T & T License Renewal--Operating	167,178	313,518	480,696	282,280	198,416
Library Donations	7,406	13,233	20,639	7,130	13,509
Senior Citizens - Christmas Party	10,698	19,296	29,994	13,015	16,979
Board of Health - Donation Stockwell Fund	79		79		79
Whip Hill Trust	0	11,025	11,025	11,025	0
School Gifts & Donations	6,637	10,025	16,662	10,802	5,861
The Mugar Group	2,543		2,543		2,543
Stoneham High School Music Club	526		526		526
Science Program Donations	4	15,100	15,104	7,550	7,554
Guar. Deposits-Planning Bd.	163,408	157,242	320,650	1,553	319,097

Town of Stoneham
Schedule of Other Special Revenue
As of June 30, 2006

Individual Gifts & Donations (continued)	Balance 7/1/2005	Received FY 06	Total Available	Expended FY 06	Balance 6/30/2006
Fire Alarm Build-out Program	0		0		0
Impact Study for T Mobile Cell Tower	1,184		1,184		1,184
Franklin Street Dunkin Donuts Study	255		255		255
Highland Village Townhomes	859		859		859
Friends of Funds	35,283	8,344	43,627	36,773	6,854
Homework Club Donations	2,094	7,320	9,414	7,013	2,402
Memorial Day Parade Donations	1,348		1,348		1,348
Athletic Hall of Fame Donations	7,371	13,075	20,446	9,523	10,923
High School Field Restoration	68,531		68,531		68,531
Coca Cola Scoreboard	10,976		10,976		10,976
RCN Grant	96,917	73,000	169,917	43,987	125,930
Ralph J. Arsenault Memorial Award	100		100		100
Peer Review Study for Gutierrez Project	0	19,000	19,000	19,000	0
Stoneham Millenium Parade Donations	0		0		0
Total Gifts & Donations	**688,589**	**529,443**	**1,218,032**	**503,649**	**714,383**

Town of Stoneham
Schedule of Capital Projects
As of June 30, 2006

Capital Projects	Balance 7/1/2005	Received FY 06	Total Available	Expended FY 06	Balance 6/30/2006	Short-Term BANs Issued
Fire Station Design	82,000		82,000		82,000	
Refurbish Fire Engine #4	350		350		350	
Improve Town's Drainage	0		0		0	
M.S. and H.S. Roof and Boiler	0		0	382,205	(382,205)	400,000
Construct Sidewalks	0		0	114,021	(114,021)	150,000
MWRA Water Rehabilitation Projects	582		582		582	
MWRA Sewer Rehabilitation Projects	0	408,000	408,000		408,000	0
Fire Station Ventilation	0		0	33,067	(33,067)	60,000
Purchase Police Cruisers	0		0	93,509	(93,509)	105,000
Repair School Property	(0)		(0)	160,000	(160,000)	160,000
Renovate/Construct Schools	626,675		626,675	81,003	545,672	
Renovate Police Station	28,900		28,900		28,900	
Replace East School Boiler	2,278		2,278		2,278	
Repair East School Roof	2,140		2,140		2,140	
Purchase Fire Pick up Truck	24,593		24,593	18,734	5,859	
Drainage at 41 Elm Street	25,000		25,000		25,000	
Replace School Doors/Roof	660		660		660	
School Technology Improvements	(0)		(0)		(0)	
Purchase School Textbooks	0		0		0	
Total Capital Projects	**793,177**	**408,000**	**1,201,177**	**882,540**	**318,637**	**875,000**

Town of Stoneham
Schedule of Expendable & Non-Expendable Trusts
As of June 30, 2006

Expendable Trust Funds	Balance 7/1/2005	Received FY'06	Total Available	Expended FY'06	Balance 6/30/2006
Thomas Henry Jones Scholarship	728	203	931	8	923
Cemetery Perpetual Care-Income	217,354	80,272	297,625	56,175	241,451
Cemetery Perpetual Care Flower-Income	16,201	2,429	18,630	1,039	17,591
Matilda M. Dale Cemetery Fund	504	37	542	1	540
Mary Anna Hill Library	29,291	2,797	32,088	5,111	26,977
George W.L. Dike Library	9,617	714	10,330	28	10,302
E.J. & A.J. Tredrick, Jr., Library	13,926	1,034	14,959	41	14,918
Richardson Library	249	18	268	1	267
Annie B. Trowbridge Library	24,459	1,815	26,275	72	26,203
Peyton Library Fund	18,498	1,463	19,961	5,999	13,962
Ruth I. Best Library	5,586	415	6,001	16	5,985
Miriam M. Marsh Library	44,813	3,326	48,139	132	48,007
E.B. Davis Library	5,580	414	5,994	16	5,978
James A. MacDonald Medal	6,993	519	7,512	21	7,492
Annie B. Trowbridge Scholarship	5,780	462	6,243	318	5,924
T.R. & W.H. Qualters Scholarship	25,944	3,303	29,246	833	28,414
Ruth I. Best Scholarship	20,559	1,600	22,159	563	21,596
James Alden Stockwell Shade Tree	14,712	1,092	15,804	43	15,761
Sidney A. Hill Welfare Fund	37,812	3,029	40,842	120	40,722
Town Hall Organ Fund	416	14	429	1	429
Alice J. Durgin Welfare Fund	22,274	1,728	24,002	68	23,933
Stoneham War Memorial	3,961	325	4,286	298	3,987
Town Scholarship Fund	5,327	702	6,029	(326)	6,355
Town Education Fund	4,495	626	5,121	(202)	5,323
Annie B. Brown Library	43,494	4,645	48,139	15,267	32,872
Henry Walcott Stockwell Trust Fund (COA)/Helen Stockwell	190	5,000	5,190	(248)	5,438
Stockwell Nurse Fund (BOH)	30,240	3,500	33,740	22,191	11,549
Robert O'Keefe Trust Fund	3,283	550	3,833	(213)	4,046
Henry Walcott Stockwell Trust Fund (BOS)	6,230	4,034	10,264	21	10,243
Apalakis Library Trust-Stoneham History	106,104	8,203	114,307	84,452	29,855
Italian Development Trust	43,000	13,500	56,500	43,895	12,605
Other School Scholarships	377,451	86,032	463,483	42,659	420,824
Health Trust Fund	3,559		3,559	(254)	3,813
Stabilization Fund	869,799	741,281	1,611,080	449,328	1,161,752
Conservation - Ford Foundation Fund	1,597	119	1,715	5	1,710
Total Expendable Trust Funds	**2,020,027**	**975,200**	**2,995,227**	**727,479**	**2,267,748**

Town of Stoneham
Schedule of Expendable & Non-Expendable Trusts
As of June 30, 2006

Non-Expendable Trust Funds	Balance 7/1/2005	Received FY'06	Total Available	Expended FY'06	Balance 6/30/2006
Cemetery Perpetual Care-Principal	855,333	20,000	875,333	600	874,733
Cemetery Perpetual Care Flower - Principal	14,410		14,410	500	13,910
Thomas Henry Jones Scholarship	2,000		2,000		2,000
Mary Anna Hill Library Fund	0	5,000	5,000		5,000
Peyton Library Fund	0	1,000	1,000		1,000
Alice J. Durgin Welfare Fund	3,000		3,000		3,000
Sidney A. Hill Welfare Fund	1,000		1,000		1,000
Annie B Brown Library Fund	0	10,000	10,000		10,000
Apalakis Library Trust for Stoneham History	0	77,500	77,500		77,500
Total Non-Expendable Trust Funds	**875,743**	**113,500**	**989,243**	**1,100**	**988,143**
Total Trust Funds	**2,895,770**	**1,088,700**	**3,984,470**	**728,579**	**3,255,891**

Town of Stoneham
Schedule of Agency Funds
As of June 30, 2006

Agency Funds	Balance 7/1/2005	Received FY'06	Total Available	Expended FY'06	Balance 6/30/2006
High School Activity Account	82,579	146,892	229,471	139,897	89,574
Middle School Activity Account	(456)	71,205	70,750	61,813	8,936
Robin Hood School Activity Account	6,209	26	6,235		6,235
Total Agency Funds	**88,333**	**218,123**	**306,456**	**201,711**	**104,745**

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SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES
OUTSTANDING AS OF 6/30/06
GENERAL FUND

DEPT NO.	PURPOSE	CODE	MO/YR	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	BALANCE As of 7/1/05	NEW ARTICLES	EXPENDED As of 6/30/06	ENCUMBERED As of 6/30/06	BALANCE As of 6/30/06	STATUS
123	TITLE SEARCH ON TOWN LAND	708	May-03	$4,500.00	$4,500.00				$4,500.00	keep open
142	FY'03 REVALUATION	961	May-01	$150,000.00	$2,780.00				$2,780.00	keep open
142	FY'05 INTERIM YEAR ADJUSTMENT	718	May-04	$125,000.00	$55,890.65		$18,786.65		$37,104.00	keep open
151	LITIGATION EXPENDITURES	924	Oct-00	$10,000.00	$14.49		$14.49		$0.00	close
151	CABLE CONTRACT RENEWAL	971	Oct-01	$5,000.00	$1,997.12				$1,997.12	keep open
151	TOWN CODE UPDATE	972	Oct-01	$5,000.00	$484.61		$484.61		$0.00	close
155	PURCHASE COMPUTER HARD/SOFT	782	Oct-00	$160,000.00	$50,057.53		$6,850.00		$43,207.53	keep open
161	DOG LICENSE SOFTWARE	725	Oct-04	$8,500.00	$3,500.00		$2,100.00		$1,400.00	keep open
210	POLICE SICK LEAVE BUY BACK	941	Oct-00	$80,000.00	$48,294.40				$48,294.40	keep open
919	PRIOR YEAR POLICE/FIRE MEDICAL	978	Oct-02	$5,000.00	$706.92				$706.92	keep open
491	EMBELLISH LINDENWOOD FY06	731	May-05	$25,000.00		$25,000.00	$15,944.60		$9,055.40	keep open
	TOTAL				$168,225.72	$25,000.00	$44,180.35	$0.00	$149,045.37	

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SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES
OUTSTANDING AS OF 6/30/06
HIGHWAY FUND

DEPT NO.	PURPOSE	CODE	MO/YR	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	BALANCE As of 7/1/05	NEW ARTICLES	EXPENDED As of 6/30/06	ENCUMBERED As of 6/30/06	BALANCE As of 6/30/06	STATUS
420	CH 90 OF THE ACTS OF 2004	715	Oct-03	$262,316.00	$146,847.03		$146,847.03		$0.00	close
420	CH 291 OF THE ACTS OF 2005	723	Oct-04	$315,180.00	$315,180.00		$210,831.69		$104,348.31	keep open
420	CH 291B OF THE ACTS OF 2005	734	May-06	$309,211.00		$309,211.00			$309,211.00	keep open
	TOTAL				$462,027.03	$309,211.00	$357,678.72	$0.00	$413,559.31	

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES
OUTSTANDING AS OF 6/30/06
SEWER FUND

DEPT NO.	PURPOSE	CODE	MO/YR	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	BALANCE As of 7/1/05	NEW ARTICLES	INTEREST As of 6/30/06	EXPENDED As of 6/30/06	ENCUMBERED As of 6/30/06	BALANCE As of 6/30/06
440	MWRA SEWER SYSTEM ASST PROG	705	May-02	$478,900.00	$169,284.69			$29,816.50		$139,468.19
440	SEWER MAIN-W. WYOM. TO BROOK	709	May-03	$25,000.00	$4,874.22					$4,874.22
440	SEWER MAIN CONST. 2005	720	May-04	$250,000.00	$140,117.11			$103,390.45		$36,726.66
440	SEWER MAIN CONST. 2006	730	May-05	$250,000.00		$250,000.00		$1,250.24		$248,749.76
	TOTAL				$314,276.02	$250,000.00	$0.00	$134,457.19	$0.00	$429,818.83

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES
OUTSTANDING AS OF 6/30/06
WATER FUND

DEPT NO.	PURPOSE	CODE	MO/YR	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	BALANCE As of 7/1/05	NEW ARTICLES	INTEREST As of 6/30/06	EXPENDED As of 6/30/06	ENCUMBERED As of 6/30/06	BALANCE As of 6/30/06
450	MWRA WATER PIPE ASST PROG	703	May-02	$1,736,360.00	**NOT YET ISSUED**					
450	PURCHASE DUMP TRUCK W/ PLOW	717	Oct-03	$32,000.00	$8,851.00					$8,851.00
450	WATER MAIN CONST. 2005	719	May-04	$300,000.00	$223,850.48			$223,851.48		($1.00)
450	WATER MAIN CONST. 2006	729	May-05	$300,000.00		$300,000.00		$8,232.78	$32,196.00	$259,571.22
	TOTALS				$232,701.48	$300,000.00	$0.00	$232,084.26	$32,196.00	$268,421.22

5/2/2007

SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES
OUTSTANDING AS OF 6/30/06
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

DEPT NO.	PURPOSE	CODE	MO/YR	ORIGINAL AMOUNT	BALANCE As of 7/1/05	NEW ARTICLES	INTEREST As of 6/30/06	EXPENDED As of 6/30/06	ENCUMBERED As of 6/30/06	BALANCE As of 6/30/06
210	RENOVATE POLICE STATION	819	Oct-98	$2,400,000.00	$28,900.09					$28,900.09
300	RENOVATE SCHOOLS	820	Mar-02	$6,000,000.00	$626,674.62			$81,002.99		$545,671.63
300	REPLACE EAST SCHOOL BOILER	974	May-02	$22,000.00	$2,277.52					$2,277.52
300	REPAIR EAST SCHOOL ROOF	983	Oct-02	$32,000.00	$2,140.00					$2,140.00
400	DRAINAGE AT 41 ELM STREET	706	May-02	$25,000.00	$25,000.00					$25,000.00
450	MWRA WATER REHAB PROJECT	834	Oct-97	$126,464.00	$582.30					$582.30
440	MWRA SEWER REHAB PROG 2005	724	Oct-04	$408,000.00		$408,000.00				$408,000.00
220	FIRE STATION DESIGN	710	May-03	$60,000.00	$22,000.00	$60,000.00				$82,000.00
220	REFURBISH FIRE ENGINE #4	711	May-03	$130,000.00	$350.00					$350.00
300	REPLACE SCHOOL DOORS/ROOF	716	Oct-03	$620,660.00	$660.00					$660.00
220	PURCHASE FIRE PICK UP TRUCK	721	May-04	$60,000.00	$24,592.80			$18,734.14	$83.85	$5,774.81
220	FIRE STATION VENTILATION	727	May-05	$60,000.00		$60,000.00		$33,067.10		$26,932.90
300	M.S. & H.S. ROOF AND BOILER	728	May-05	$400,000.00		$400,000.00		$382,205.26		$17,794.74
210	PURCHASE POLICE CRUISERS	712	Oct-05	$105,000.00		$105,000.00		$93,509.47		$11,490.53
300	REPAIR H.S. BLEACHERS	818	Oct-05	$125,000.00		$125,000.00		$125,000.00		$0.00
300	REPAIR H.S. BLEACHERS	818	May-06	$35,000.00		$35,000.00		$35,000.00		$0.00
420	REPAIR SIDEWALKS	938	Oct-05	$150,000.00		$150,000.00		$114,020.96		$35,979.04
220	FIREFIGHTER TURNOUT GEAR	732	May-06	$60,000.00	NOT YET ISSUED					
300	HIGH SCHOOL ROOF	733	May-06	$215,000.00	NOT YET ISSUED					
					$733,177.33	$1,343,000.00	$0.00	$882,539.92	$83.85	$1,193,553.56

Town of Stoneham
DEBT SERVICE SCHEDULE
As of June 30, 2006

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013-2022	Total
Golf Course(Par 3)-Construction	71,875	69,100	66,275	63,400	60,475	57,500	54,500	51,500	494,625
Senior Center Renovation	113,204	109,415	104,125	100,450	96,775	93,013	89,250	318,500	1,024,731
Pro Shop/Golf Course	31,521	30,011							61,532
Stoneham Arena	38,710	36,855							75,565
Fire Truck	57,915								57,915
Town Common	93,541	90,797	88,052	80,416	77,909	75,402	72,830	435,578	1,014,525
Police Station	370,271	359,716	349,161	338,615	328,060	317,504	306,671	1,834,134	4,204,132
Town Drainage	82,163	81,163	80,038	78,663	76,413	74,788	73,038	619,025	1,165,288
Street Lights	28,688	28,188	27,625	26,938	25,813				137,250
School Textbooks	47,940								47,940
School Technology	33,660								33,660
Replace DPW Roof	16,923	16,698	16,404	16,084	15,738	15,278	14,879	119,985	231,988
Drainage at Elm/Franklin	2,921	2,886	2,835	2,779	2,718	2,637	2,567	19,745	39,088
East School Roof/Boiler	4,846	4,776	4,690	4,598	4,497	4,364	4,248	32,670	64,689
Subtotal	994,178	829,603	739,204	711,941	688,397	640,485	617,981	3,431,137	8,652,926
M. S. Roof and Doors ($848,530)--Estimates	33,941	71,492	100,650	97,650	94,650	91,650	88,650	695,850	1,274,534
Refurbish Fire Engine #4 ($130,000)--Estimates	5,200	49,510	47,300	45,150					147,160
Purchase Police Cruisers FY04($110,000)--Estimates	4,400	41,662	40,650	37,800					124,512
Fire Pick up Truck ($60,000)--Estimates	2,400	2,543	23,000	22,000	21,000				70,943
Fire Station Design ($60,000)--Estimates	2,400	60,512							62,912
Fire Station Ventilation ($60,000)--Estimates		2,543	23,000	22,000	21,000				68,543
H.S. Roof/M.S. Boiler ($400,000)--Estimates		16,953	60,000	58,000	56,000	54,000	52,000	230,000	526,953
Sidewalk Repairs ($150,000)--Estimates		6,357	37,500	36,000	34,500	33,000	31,500		178,857
Police Cruisers FY06 ($105,000)--Estimates		4,450	40,250	38,500	36,750				119,950
H.S. Bleachers ($160,000)--Estimates		6,683	24,000	17,500	16,875	16,250	15,625	56,250	153,183
Firefighter Turnout Gear ($60,000)--Estimates			3,000	23,000	22,000	21,000			69,000
H.S. Roof ($215,000)--Estimates			10,750	32,250	31,175	30,100	29,025	151,575	284,875
H.S. and M.S. Repairs ($250,000)--Estimates			12,500	37,500	36,250	35,000	33,750	176,250	331,250
Amount Funded within Tax Levy	1,042,519	1,092,308	1,161,804	1,179,291	1,058,597	921,485	868,531	4,741,062	12,065,598
School Renovation Projects (South School)	868,125	848,125	826,875	805,625	784,375	761,875	739,375	5,605,500	11,239,875
School Renovation Projects (Central School)	1,132,625	1,106,625	1,075,750	1,044,875	1,014,000	988,000	962,000	7,301,125	14,625,000
School Renov. Proj. (Robinhood)	985,950	973,950	960,450	943,950	916,950	897,450	876,450	7,428,300	13,983,450
School Renov. Proj. (Colonial)	932,310	920,430	904,905	888,030	869,805	845,505	824,445	7,567,290	13,752,720
Subtotal	3,919,010	3,849,130	3,767,980	3,682,480	3,585,130	3,492,830	3,402,270	27,902,215	0
less: SBA Reimbursement	(1,899,826)	(1,899,826)	(1,899,826)	(1,899,826)	(1,899,826)	(1,899,826)	(1,899,826)	(18,488,130)	53,601,045
Amount Funded by Debt Exclusion	2,019,184	1,949,304	1,868,154	1,782,654	1,685,304	1,593,004	1,502,444	9,414,085	(31,786,912)
									21,814,133
MWRA Sewer Rehab. Project FY2004	52,679	52,679	52,679						158,037
MWRA Sewer Rehab. Project FY2005		44,880	44,880	44,880	44,880	44,880			224,400
MWRA Sewer Rehab. Project (Phase 6)			44,880	44,880	44,880	44,880	44,880		224,400
Amount Funded by Sewer Rates	52,679	97,559	142,439	89,760	89,760	89,760	44,880	0	606,837
MWRA Water Rehab. Project									0
MWRA Water Rehab. Project									0
Amount Funded by Water Rates	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	5,014,208	5,038,997	5,072,223	4,951,531	4,733,487	4,504,075	4,315,681	32,643,277	66,273,480

Report of the Town Clerk

To the Residents of the Town of Stoneham:

The year 2006 was another blockbuster year in the Town Clerk's Office. Again, there were over 6000 transacted with revenue generating, $101,004.50.

With new regulations slowly going into place relative to travel requirements outside the United States, our office was kept extremely busy with sales totaling 1441 passport applications which translate into $43,230.00 in revenue to the towns' general fund. This service continues to be desirable service which benefits the town.

In the year 2006, the Town Clerk's Office was responsible for the preparation and the execution of the Annual Town Election, State Primary Election and the State Election. All elections require the certification of voter signatures on all nomination and petitions, this office certified more than 5000 signatures related to last years elections.

I stated in my report last year that the staff members have changed for the most part, since that report was issued, I have had the pleasure of adding two part-time staff members to the Town Clerk's Office Team, Sandy Snyder and Michele Collins started in October, 2006.

As in the past, I relayed in this report the words that most effectively describe the Town Clerk's Office are: Productive, Busy, but most of all great "Team Work". Good work ethics are always encouraged, and will remain at the forefront, as we work together as a "Team", while maintaining the integrity of the Office, and acting in the best interest of the Town.

We all look forward to serve you in 2007.

Sincerely,

John J. Hanright

2006 Town Clerk's Office Revenue Collected

Description	Transactions	Amount Collected
Birth Certificate - Ammended	3	90.00
Birth Certificate - Correction	1	30.00
Birth Certificate - Long Form	1575	15,750.00
Birth Certificate - Short Form	297	1,782.00
Burial Permit	115	1,150.00
Business Certificates	180	7,200.00
Business Certificate - Certified Copy	7	35.00
Business Certificate - Change	10	100.00
Business Certificate - Update	1	5.00
ByLaw Violation - $100.00	5	500.00
ByLaw Violation - $150.00	2	300.00
ByLaw Violation - $200.00	4	800.00
ByLaw Violation - $ 25.00	9	225.00
ByLaw Violation - $250.00	7	1,750.00
ByLaw Violation - $300.00	9	2,700.00
ByLaw Violation - $ 80.00	2	80.00
ByLaw Violation - $ 50.00	5	250.00
ByLaw Violation - $ 75.00	1	75.00
Certification Letter - BOA	13	130.00
Certification Letter - BOS	1	10.00
Certification Letter - PB	11	110.00
Copy of documents @ .50	221	110.50
Death Certificates	873	8,730.00
Death Certificates - Corrections	1	20.00
Dog License - Spayed/Neutered	676	6,760.00
Dog License	59	885.00
Dog Late Fees @ $5.00	23	115.00
Dog Late Fee by Month @ $1.00	19	19.00
Kennel License	9	225.00
Gasoline Storage Permit	18	1,350.00
Marriage Certificate	109	1,090.00
Marriage Intentions	111	3,330.00
Marriage License - Corrections	1	10.00
Notary Fees	48	720.00
Passport Application Fees	1441	43,230.00
Raffle Permits	7	70.00
Street List	24	600.00
Utilities	1	40.00
Voter Registration Card	2	10.00
Zoning ByLaws	14	490.00
Zoning Maps	16	128.00
TOTALS	6043	101,004.50

2006 Annual Town Election Results - April 4, 2006

Board of Selectmen - Vote for Two	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	87	79	124	102	139	96	94	721
Robert W. **Sweeney**	150	177	193	132	244	136	218	1250
Andrew J. **Celentano**	75	91	74	59	98	188	99	684
Daniel T. **Doherty**	150	148	315	132	176	167	152	1240
Heidi **Kelf**	79	89	53	63	91	170	83	628
R. Paul **Rotondi**	162	168	255	187	249	177	228	1426
Charles S. **Smith III**	90	129	132	61	127	112	109	760
Write-ins	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	5
Total	794	882	1148	736	1124	1046	984	6714
								6714

Planning Board - Vote for One	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	60	71	93	71	96	126	95	612
Thomas J. **O'Grady**	249	256	348	203	288	274	238	1856
William N. **Sullivan, Jr.**	89	114	133	95	179	121	155	886
Write-ins	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
Total	398	441	574	369	563	522	490	3357
								3357

Board of Health - Vote for One	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	158	132	177	126	185	206	184	1168
John J. **Scullin**	240	306	397	242	377	312	308	2182
Write-ins	0	0	0	0	1	4	2	7
Total	398	438	574	368	563	522	494	3357
								3357

School Committee - Vote for Two	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	174	190	206	141	247	208	192	1358
Marie T. **Christie**	186	227	301	180	276	246	252	1668
Carol H. **Feke**	143	125	207	105	174	112	142	1008
Miriam **Regan-Fiore**	190	214	289	184	250	347	247	1721
Matthew D. **Whooley**	102	124	144	127	174	125	151	947
Write-ins	1	0	1	0	5	4	1	12
Total	796	880	1148	737	1126	1042	985	6714
								6714

Board of Assessors - Vote for One	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	140	141	163	128	184	199	162	1117
Craig J. **Celli**	258	297	410	241	379	323	326	2234
Write-ins	0	2	1	0	0	0	3	6
Total	398	440	574	369	563	522	491	3357
								3357

Constable - Vote for Three	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	442	445	568	410	557	625	510	3557
Fredric L. **Kranefuss**	192	259	284	180	304	237	267	1723
Robert E. **Moreira**	232	237	371	219	357	259	275	1950
Brian **Johnston**	140	160	171	105	203	180	174	1133
Robert W. **Nardone**	188	220	328	192	266	265	243	1702
Write-ins	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	6
Total	1194	1321	1722	1106	1689	1567	1472	10071
								10071

Library Trustee - Vote for Two	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	299	282	385	263	357	395	342	2323
Catherine F. **DiDonato**	248	299	383	240	383	316	318	2187
Jane F. **Francis**	248	298	380	235	384	331	324	2200
Write-ins	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	4
Total	796	880	1148	738	1126	1042	984	6714
								6714

Housing Authority - Vote for One	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	156	148	195	130	204	225	183	1241
William F. **Jordan**	242	291	379	239	357	297	308	2113
Write-in	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	3
Total	398	440	574	369	563	522	491	3357
								3357

Question #1 - Debt Exclusion	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	32	24	30	26	36	26	26	200
Yes	155	169	222	122	192	213	199	1272
No	211	247	322	221	335	283	266	1885
Total	398	440	574	369	563	522	491	3357
								3357

Question #2 - Non Binding Trash Fee	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	31	21	34	24	31	27	24	192
Yes	162	159	229	140	218	235	195	1338
No	205	260	311	205	314	259	273	1827
Total	398	440	574	369	563	521	492	3357

Minutes for Annual Town Meeting
Tuesday, April 4, 2006

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the **Town Hall, 35 Central Street,** on Tuesday, April 4, 2006, at seven o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles of this warrant:

Article 1. To choose the following officers:

Two (2) Selectmen for three (3) years.

One (1) Planning Board Member for five (5) years.

One (1) Board of Health Member for three (3) years.

Two (2) School Committee Members for three (3) years.

One (1) Board of Assessors Member for three (3) years.

Three (3) Constables for three (3) years.

Two (2) Library Trustees for three (3) years.

One (1) Housing Authority Member for five (5) years.

Question #1

Shall the Town of Stoneham be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds issued in order to:

Remodel the Stoneham Arena;
Remodel and Furnish the Senior Center;
Construct the Par 3 Golf Course;
Remodel the Unicorn Pro Shop/Golf Course;
Repair and Replace the DPW Building Roof;
Construct the Town Common/Public Parking Lot;
Construct and Remodel the Police Station;
Improve the Town Drainage System;
Purchase Street Lights;
Improve Drainage at Elm Street and Franklin Street;
Repair and Replace the East School Boiler;

Refurbish Fire Engine #4;
Purchase Police Cruisers (May 8, 2003 Annual Town Meeting);
Purchase Police Cruisers (October 24, 2005 Special Town Meeting);
Repair and Replace the Middle School and the High School Doors;
Repair and Replace the High School and the Middle School Roof; Repair and Replace Ceiling Tiles, Plexiglas Windows, the Electrical System and the Heating System at the Middle School and High School; Repair and Replace the Middle School Boiler (October 27, 2003 Special Town Meeting, May 3, 2004 Annual Town Meeting, and May 2, 2005 Annual Town Meeting);
Construct, Reconstruct and Repair the Sidewalks;
Purchase a Fire Pick-up Truck;
Improve the Fire Station Ventilation System; and
Repair the High School Bleachers (October 24, 2005 Special Town Meeting and May 1, 2006 Annual Town Meeting)?

YES_____
NO_____

Question #2
Non-Binding Public Advisory Question

Should the Board of Selectmen vote to continue the current trash fee for Fiscal Year 2007, (July, 2006 – June, 2007)? The annual trash fee is $150 per dwelling unit ($100 for senior citizens who qualify for a real estate tax exemption) and includes the cost of a Stevens Street recycling sticker that otherwise has a $20 cost. The trash fee results in approximately Nine Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($950,000) in revenue to pay for trash pick-up, recycling and disposal. Residents (dwelling units) who have secured an alternative disposal means are not required to pay the trash fee.

YES_____
NO_____

All on one ballot.

The polls for the Annual Town Election shall be closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

For consideration of the following Articles, the meeting shall be adjourned to meet in the **Town Hall** at 7:30 o'clock in the evening on Monday, May 1, 2006, in accordance with provisions of Article II, section 2-3 of the By-Laws of the Town of Stoneham.

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 275 voters were inside the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Michael Rotondi at 7:36 PM. Moderator Rotondi led the Pledge of Allegiance and the warrant was read.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town officers for the ensuing year in such a manner as the Town may determine.

Board of Selectmen

Article 2. **Voted** that the Town choose all other necessary Town officers for the ensuing year in such a manner as the Town may determine.

Passes Per Moderator

Article 3. To hear the reports of Town officers and committees and to act thereon and to choose committees.

Board of Selectmen

Article 3. **Voted** that the Town hear the reports of Town officers and committees and to act thereon and to choose committees.

Passes Per Moderator

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of the several elective officers and the Boards of the Town for the 2006/2007 fiscal year.

Board of Selectmen

Article 4. **Voted** that the Town fix the salaries of the several elective officers and the Boards of the Town for the 2006/2007 fiscal year as follows:

Town Moderator	$200
Board of Assessors	$1,200
Board of Selectmen	$3,000
Town Clerk	$56,773

Jeanne E. Craigie 53 Duncklee Avenue made an amendment to article 4 as follows:

Move to approve the expenditure of salaries for fiscal year 2006/2007 for elected officials & Town Boards where applicable.

Town Moderator	**$200**
Board of Assessors	**$1,200 each**
Board of Selectmen	**$0 (Reduce by $15,000)**
Town Clerk	**$56,773**

Total new appropriation $60,573.

*During discussion of article on Town Meeting floor, Carol Feke 25 Oak Street mentioned Moderator Michael Rotondi's budget and he stepped down as Moderator for the remainder of discussion and vote on the article. Motion was made and seconded for Ron Fiore 7 Arlene Avenue to act as Temporary Moderator- Passes Unanimous by Town Meeting body. Town Clerk John Hanright sworn in Mr. Fiore.

Motion to Move the Question
Question is Moved
Vote on Amendment
Passes Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered
Motion to Move Question
Question is Moved
Vote on Main Motion as Amended
Passes Per Moderator

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaws, amending Section 4.1.3.1 by adding the following sentence at the end of said Section: "An area of up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the net floor area of a public building may be used for a non-public office use(s)."

Section 4.1.3.1, as amended would read as follows:

4.1.3 *Uses Permitted in All Districts:*

4.1.3.1 Public Building or use, but not including a correctional institution or a mental hospital. An area of up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the net floor area of a public building may be used for a non-public office use(s).

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 5. **Voted** that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaws, amending Section 4.1.3.1 by adding the following sentence at the end of said Section: "An area of up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the net floor area of a public building may be used for a non-public office use(s)."

Section 4.1.3.1, as amended would read as follows:

4.1.3 *Uses Permitted in All Districts:*

4.1.3.1 Public Building or use, but not including a correctional institution or a mental hospital. An area of up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the net floor area of a public building may be used for a non-public office use(s).

Passes Unanimous

**Sent to the Attorney General for Approval May 10, 2006*

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of the care, custody, management and control of a parcel of land including any appurtenant rights in Fallon Road, a private way, to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of the sale of said land. Said parcel of land was acquired by the Town as part of a taking by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts evidenced in a document recorded with the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds in Book 12186, Page 621. Said parcel of land is located between Fallon Road and the previous layout of Fallon Road. Said parcel contains 2,608 square feet more or less and is more particularly described as follows:

NORTHERLY: twenty-four and five hundredths (24.05) feet as shown on a plan entitled "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Plan of Road in the Town of Stoneham Middlesex County Altered and laid out as a State Highway by the Department of Public Works" dated March 29, 1972, drawn by Frederick Esper R.L.S. and recorded with said Registry as Plan No 350 of 1972;

NORTHEASTERLY: seventy-six and sixty-two hundredths (76.62) feet as shown on said Plan;

SOUTHERLY: forty-one and twenty-five hundredths (41.25) feet by Fallon Road (Not an accepted Town L.O.) as shown on said Plan and

WESTERLY: ninety and seventy-six hundredths (90.76) feet as shown on said Plan.

Charles F. Houghton et al
15 Kimball Drive

Article 6. **Voted** that the Town authorize the transfer of the care, custody, management and control of a parcel of land including any appurtenant rights in Fallon Road, a private way, to the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of the sale of said land. Said parcel of land was acquired by the Town as part of a taking by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts evidenced in a document recorded with the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds in Book 12186, Page 621. Said parcel of land is located between Fallon Road and the previous layout of Fallon Road. Said parcel contains 2,608 square feet more or less and is more particularly described as follows:

NORTHERLY:	twenty-four and five hundredths (24.05) feet as shown on a plan entitled "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Plan of Road in the Town of Stoneham Middlesex County Altered and laid out as a State Highway by the Department of Public Works" dated March 29, 1972, drawn by Frederick Esper R.L.S. and recorded with said Registry as Plan No 350 of 1972;
NORTHEASTERLY:	seventy-six and sixty-two hundredths (76.62) feet as shown on said Plan;
SOUTHERLY:	forty-one and twenty-five hundredths (41.25) feet by Fallon Road (Not an accepted Town L.O.) as shown on said Plan and
WESTERLY:	ninety and seventy-six hundredths (90.76) feet as shown on said Plan.

Charles Houghton 15 Kimball Avenue made an amendment to Article 6 as follows:

Move to add to the end of the article "And to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell said land in accordance with applicable law."

Andrew Celentano 64 Newcomb Road made an amendment in addition to Mr. Houghton's amendment to Article 6 as follows:

Move to add to the end of the article "But in no event should it be sold for less than the market value."

Amendment by Andrew Celentano
Passes per Moderator
Amendment by Charles Houghton
Passes per Moderator
Main Motion as Amended
Requires ⅔Vote
Passes Unanimous

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to

a. Authorize the transfer of the care, custody, management and control of a parcel of land no longer needed for school or school related purposes, located between the main driveway of the Stoneham High School and Emerald Court; said property is a portion of No. 152 on Assessors Map 8, between parcel 155 to the South and parcels 153 and 154 to the North containing approximately 13,500 square feet of land, to the Board of Selectmen – all according to the Plan of Lot A#10 Emerald Court in Stoneham, Massachusetts" by Robert E. Grover, Town Engineer, and subject to the sewer easement as show, pursuant to the provisions of Section 15A of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws – for: (i) municipal purposes, including, but not limited to Department of Public Works purposes and/or (ii) for purposes of sale, and

b. Authorize the Board of Selectmen and/or the Town Administrator to sell said parcel of land referenced in Subparagraph (a) above in accordance with the provisions of Section 3 of Chapter 40 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 7. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article 7.

Majority Vote Required
Passes per Moderator

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to petition the Legislature to pass an act abolishing the Town of Stoneham Retirement Board and transferring all of the responsibilities and duties of the Stoneham Retirement Board to the State [Commonwealth of Massachusetts] Retirement Board. The Town employees will remain employees of the Town and will not become employees of the Commonwealth. The Town will remain liable for any unfunded liability existing as of the date of the transfer,
and shall annually reimburse the state board of retirement for the employer's normal cost, as determined by the actuary, of benefits earned during each year by such Town employees who are members of the state employees' retirement system. The actuary shall determine such cost as a percentage of the payroll of the Town for such employees based upon the most recent actuarial valuation of the state retirement system. Said

reimbursed amount shall be deposited in the pension reserve fund of the state employees' retirement system. And further to authorize the Board of Selectmen or its authorized agents to take any action necessary to carry out this vote. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 8. **Voted** that the Town petition the Legislature to pass an act regarding the abolition of the Town of Stoneham Retirement Board and the transfer of all of the responsibilities and duties of the Stoneham Retirement Board to the State Board of Retirement. The Town employees will remain employees of the Town and will not become employees of the Commonwealth. The Town will remain liable for any unfunded liability existing as of the date of the transfer, and shall annually reimburse the State Board of Retirement for the employer's normal cost, as determined by an actuary for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, of benefits earned during each year by such Town employees who are members of the state employees' retirement system. An actuary for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts shall determine such cost as a percentage of the payroll of the Town for such employees based upon the most recent actuarial valuation of the state retirement system. Said reimbursed amount shall be deposited in the pension reserve fund of the state employees' retirement system.

Said Act to further provide that the abolition of the Town of Stoneham Retirement Board and the transfer of the responsibilities and duties of said Board to the State Retirement Board shall not occur unless each of the following pre-requisites have been met:

1. The State Board of Retirement or such other appropriate office or division of the State Treasurer's Office has provided the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Stoneham with: (i) a complete and detailed estimate of the annual administrative cost that will be charged the Town of Stoneham by the State Board of Retirement and/or the State Treasurer's Office for annually administering the Stoneham retirement system as part of or together with the State Board of Retirement's existing system obligations, and (ii) a written description of how the State Board of Retirement proposes to administer the Stoneham retirement system.

2. An independent actuary, retained by the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Stoneham documents and certifies, in writing, that the administrative cost savings resulting from the transfer of the above referenced responsibilities and duties from the Stoneham Retirement Board to the State Board of Retirement will be equal to or greater than fifty percent (50%) of the administrative costs (not including investment management fees) of the Stoneham Retirement Board as specified in the Board's budget for the fiscal year in which said certification is made; and

3. Subject to the above prerequisites being satisfied, the Board of Selectmen would have to vote to abolish the Stoneham Retirement Board and transfer the responsibilities and duties of the Stoneham Retirement Board to the State Board of Retirement. Said vote must take place no later than six (6) months after the report of the independent actuary, referenced in subparagraph (2) above.

Said Act to further require the State Treasurer's Office and the State Board of Retirement to provide the information described in subparagraph (1) above to the

Board of Selectmen of the Town of Stoneham in a timely manner and to cooperate with the Town with respect to this matter.

The Board of Selectmen or its authorized agents are authorized to to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Motion to Move Question
Question is Moved
Fails Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 1 of Chapter 157 of the Acts of 2005.

Section 1. Subdivision (2) of section 7 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:

(e) Any member of Group 1 or Group 2 or Group 4, who is a veteran as defined in section 1, shall receive an additional yearly retirement allowance of $15 for each year of creditable service or fraction thereof, but the total amount of this additional yearly retirement allowance shall not exceed $300. This paragraph shall only take effect upon it's acceptance by the majority vote of the board of a system, subject to the approval of the legislative body. For purposes of this paragraph, legislative body shall mean in the case of a city the city council in accordance with its charter, in the case of a town the town meeting, in the case of a county the county retirement board advisory council, in the case of a district the district members, in the case of an authority the governing body and in the case of a regional retirement system, the regional retirement board advisory council.

Stoneham
Retirement Board

Article 9. **Voted** that the Town accept Section 1 of Chapter 157 of the Acts of 2005.

Section 1. Subdivision (2) of section 7 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2004 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following paragraph:

(e) Any member of Group 1 or Group 2 or Group 4, who is a veteran as defined in section 1, shall receive an additional yearly retirement allowance of $15 for each year of creditable service or fraction thereof, but the total amount of this additional yearly retirement allowance shall not exceed $300. This paragraph shall only take effect upon it's acceptance by the majority vote of the board of a system, subject to the approval of the legislative body. For purposes of this paragraph, legislative body shall mean in the case of a city the city council in accordance with its charter, in the case of a town the town meeting, in the case of a county the county retirement board advisory council, in the case of a district the district members, in the case of an authority the governing body and in the case of a regional retirement system, the regional retirement board advisory council.

(f)

Majority Vote Required
Passes Unanimous

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize the revolving fund that was voted under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through registration fees and other revenues for Recreation Programs to pay the costs of the Recreation program and related expenses, and authorize expenditures by the Recreation Program Coordinator, not to exceed $200,000 during Fiscal Year 2007 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2006 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 10. **Voted** that the Town reauthorize the revolving fund that was voted under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through registration fees and other revenues for Recreation Programs to pay the costs of the Recreation program and related expenses, and authorize expenditures by the Recreation Program Coordinator, not to exceed $200,000 during Fiscal Year 2007 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2006 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Unanimous

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to establish a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, Section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated through permit fees charged for field usage at Broadway Park, Recreation Park, Pomeworth Park, East School Field,

Colonial School Field, Robin Hood Field, and the High School Field to pay the costs of maintaining these fields, and authorize expenditures by the DPW Director, not to exceed $125,000 during Fiscal Year 2007 which may be made from such fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 11. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article #11.

Passes per Moderator

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator to lease or rent any or all of the following portions of the second floor of the Stoneham Senior Center (located at 136 Elm Street) for a period of up to ten (10) years: four contiguous (4) rooms totaling approximately seven hundred fifty (750) square feet.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 12. **Voted** that the Town authorize the Town Administrator to lease or rent any or all of the following portions of the second floor of the Stoneham Senior Center (located at 136 Elm Street) for a period of up to ten (10) years: four contiguous (4) rooms (three (3) of the rooms facing west, and the fourth (4^{th}) room facing west and south) of the Senior Center, totaling approximately seven hundred fifty (750) square feet.

Majority Vote Required
Passes per Moderator

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting office space at the Senior Center to pay the cleaning and maintenance costs of the Senior Center, and authorize expenditures by the Senior Center Director, not to exceed $50,000 during Fiscal Year 2007 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2006 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account. Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 13. **Voted** that the Town reauthorize a revolving fund under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, section 53E1/2 for the purpose of using receipts generated from renting office space at the Senior Center to pay the cleaning and maintenance costs of the Senior Center, and authorize expenditures by the Senior Center Director, not to exceed $50,000 during Fiscal Year 2007 which may be made from such fund. In addition, transfer any balance remaining on June 30, 2006 from the existing Revolving account into the reauthorized Revolving account.

Passes Unanimous

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Administrator to enter into a lease of up to three (3) years with up to two (2) additional option years (which option(s) shall be at the sole discretion of the Town, through its Town Administrator) for the Stoneham Arena's Concessions, Pro Shop, and/or Vending Machines so as to allow a third-party to operate all or any one of these operations for uses which shall include, but not be limited to, those uses currently serving Stoneham residents and organizations, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 14. **Voted** that the Town authorize the Town Administrator to enter into a lease of up to three (3) years with up to two (2) additional option years (which option(s) shall be at the sole discretion of the Town, through its Town Administrator) for the Stoneham Arena's Concessions, Pro Shop, and/or Vending Machines so as to allow a third-party to operate all or any one of these operations for uses which shall include, but not be limited to, those uses currently serving Stoneham residents and organizations.

Andrew Celentano 64 Newcomb Road mad an amendment to Article 14 as follows:

Move to add to the end of the article "The Town Administrator assures that at least 3 independent bids are sought and that these bids are not affiliated with any Town employee or member of any Town Board or Committee."

Vote on Amendment
Passes per Moderator
Main Motion as Amended
Passes Unanimous
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money to design and construct a Stoneham sports facility behind the Stoneham (Unicorn) Arena, to include: (i) an indoor facility and field for athletics, sports and related events, including, but not limited to, soccer, lacrosse and field hockey, and (ii) an additional skating facility, and to further authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to effectuate said design and construction; or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 15. **Voted** that the Town appropriate the sum of Six Million Dollars ($6,000,000) to design and construct a Stoneham sports facility behind the Stoneham (Unicorn) Arena, to include: (i) and indoor field and facility for athletics, sports and related events, including, but not limited to, soccer, lacrosse and field hockey, and (ii) an additional skating facility, and to further authorize the Town Administrator to take any action necessary to effectuate said design and construction; and to meet this appropriation the Town treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow up to Six Million Dollars ($6,000,000) under Chapter 44 of the Mass. General Laws or any enabling authority; and the Town Administrator is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Dan Doherty 124 Forest Street made an amendment to Article 15 as follows:

Move to indefinitely postpone in order to conduct a feasibility study first.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Passes per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Town Stabilization Fund as revenue to be applied to the Town's FY07 Budget.

Board of Selectmen

Article 16. **Voted** that the Town transfer $550,000 from the Town Stabilization Fund as revenue to be applied to the Town's FY07 Budget.

Requires ⅔ Vote
Passes per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot be Reconsidered

Motion to Adjourn
Meeting Adjourned at 10:55 PM until Thursday, May 4, 2006 at 7:30 PM.

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall on May 4, 2006 and the checklist showed 150 voters were inside the meeting.

Town Meeting was brought to order at 7:38 PM on Thursday, May 4, 2006. Moderator Michael Rotondi led the Pledge of Allegiance and the meeting continued with Article 17.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow, $60,000 to purchase Firefighter Turnout Gear and Equipment, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 17. Voted that the Town appropriate the sum of Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000) to purchase Firefighter Turnout Gear And Equipment; and to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen is authorized to borrow up to Sixty Thousand Dollars ($60,000) under Chapter 44 of the Mass. General Laws or any other enabling authority; and the Town Administrator is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Requires ⅔ Vote
Passes Unanimous

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds $30,000 for the purpose of embellishing Lindenwood Cemetery by purchasing equipment, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 18. **Voted** that the Town transfer and appropriate from the Cemetery Perpetual Care Income Fund the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars ($30,000) for the purpose of embellishing Lindenwood Cemetery by purchasing equipment.

Requires Majority Vote
Passes Per Moderator

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds $300,000 for the purpose of defraying the cost of constructing water mains or replacing or relining existing water mains, hydrant replacement, water meter installations, purchasing equipment, or maintain the water system within the limits of the Town, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 19. **Voted** that the Town raise and appropriate from Estimated Water Receipts the sum of Three hundred Thousand dollars ($300,000) for the purpose of defraying the cost of constructing water mains or replacing or relining existing water mains, hydrant replacement, water meter installations, purchasing equipment, or maintain the water system within the limits of the Town.

Requires Majority Vote
Passes Unanimous

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds $250,000 for the purpose of defraying the cost of construction or rehabilitation of sewer mains, manholes, pump stations or appurtenances, purchasing equipment, or maintain the sewer system within the limits of the Town, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 20. **Voted** that the Town raise and appropriate from Estimated Sewer Receipts the sum of Two hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000) for the purpose of defraying the cost of construction or rehabilitation of sewer mains, manholes, pump stations or appurtenances, purchasing equipment, or maintain the sewer system within the limits of the Town.

Requires Majority Vote
Passes Unanimous

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $309,211 to be received by the Town from the State Highway Funds account Chapter 291B of the Acts of 2005, Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on Public Ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 21. **Voted** that the Town appropriate $309,211 to be received by the Town from the State Highway Funds account Chapter 291B of the Acts of 2005, Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on Public Ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure.

Requires Majority Vote
Passes Unanimous

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, or borrow $35,000 to fund additional costs associated with the replacement of wood decking on the High School bleachers as originally approved under Article 12 of the October 24, 2005 Town Meeting.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

School Committee

Article 22. **Voted** that the Town appropriate the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars ($35,000) to fund additional costs associated with the replacement of wood decking on the High School bleachers as originally approved under Article 12 of the October 24, 2005 Town Meeting; and to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow up to Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars ($35,000) under Chapter 44 of the Mass General Laws or any other enabling authority; and the Town Administrator is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Requires ⅔ Vote
Passes Unanimous

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds, or borrow $215,000 to fund costs associated with the repair and replacement of approximately 20,000 square feet of roofing at the High School.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

School Committee

Article 23. **Voted** that the Town appropriate the sum of Two Hundred and Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($215,000) to fund costs associated with the repair and replacement of approximately 20,000 square feet of roofing at the High School; and to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow up to Two Hundred and Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($215,000) under Chapter 44 of Mass. General Laws or any other enabling authority; and the Town Administrator is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

Requires ⅔ Vote
Passes Unanimous

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to amend the Fiscal Year 2006 department budgets approved under Article 23 of the May 2, 2005 Annual Town Meeting, as amended, or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 24. **Voted** that the Town transfer the sum of Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Forty Dollars ($297,440) to amend the Fiscal Year 2006 Departmental Budget voted under Article 23 of the May 2, 2005 Annual Town Meeting, as amended, and as described in handout entitled "Exhibit A".

Article 24, Exhibit A-Said sum to be transferred as follows:

Increase the following budgets:					
Dept. #	**Department**	**Salaries**	**Operating**	**Total**	
135	Town Accountant		$10,000.00	$10,000.00	Consultant was used instead of Asst. Acct.
141	Assessors	$1,500.00		$1,500.00	THEA Contract Settled
155	MIS Department		$5,000.00	$5,000.00	New Postage Machine
162	Elections and Registrations		$4,000.00	$4,000.00	Election Recount
182	Planning Board/Board of Appeals	$10,000.00		$10,000.00	Staff Turnover and new staff training
241	Building Department		$4,000.00	$4,000.00	Hired Temp. for employee on sick leave
300	School Department		$74,940.00	$74,940.00	Health Insurance Shortfall
398	Minuteman Voc. School		$30,000.00	$30,000.00	Tuition for one student
440	Sewer	$30,000.00		$30,000.00	Manhole collapsed/Pump Station Failure
400	DPW	$20,000.00	$40,000.00	$60,000.00	Snow & Ice Removal deficit
610	Library		$1,000.00	$1,000.00	Utility cost increases
630	Unicorn Recreation	$30,000.00	$35,000.00	$65,000.00	Replace emp. on military leave/Utility costs
910	Non Contributory Pension	$2,000.00		$2,000.00	COLA Adjustment
	Total FY06 Budget Increases	**$93,500.00**	**$203,940.00**	**$297,440.00**	

Decrease the following budgets:					
Dept. #	**Department**	**Salaries**	**Operating**	**Total**	
132	Finance Board Reserve Fund		$50,000.00	$50,000.00	Reserve Fund Balance
145	Treasurer	$7,000.00		$7,000.00	Employee dropped health ins.
241	Building Dept.	$4,000.00		$4,000.00	Reduced hours of employee on sick leave
440	Sewer		$30,000.00	$30,000.00	Lower MWRA Assessment
510	Board of Health	$16,000.00		$16,000.00	Vacancy not filled immediately
610	Library	$8,500.00		$8,500.00	Employee dropped health ins.
710	Debt Service		$12,000.00	$12,000.00	Funds Borrowed at a lower interest rate
919	Unclassified		$95,000.00	$95,000.00	Health Ins. Savings from increased copays and Health Risk Assessment Survey
	Total FY06 Budget Decreases	**$35,500.00**	**$187,000.00**	**$222,500.00**	
	Transfer from School Prior Year Encumbrances			**$74,940.00**	
	Total Funds Available for Transfer			**$297,440.00**	

Requires Majority Vote
Passes Unanimous

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money to pay prior year invoices, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 25. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article #25.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Indefinitely Postponed
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate from taxation or by transfer from available funds, such sums as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, including debt and interest and a reserve fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 26. **Voted** that the Town raise, transfer from available funds, and appropriate from taxation the sum of $56,861,008 to defray Town charges including debt and interest and a reserve fund for the ensuing year beginning July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007; said sum as itemized on "Exhibit A-Spending" and "Exhibit B-Revenues".

Jeanne E. Craigie 53 Duncklee Avenue made an amendment to article 26 as follows:

Move to amend the following budget line items as was presented and to Decrease Dept #918 by $15,000 and Increase Dept. # 610 Library by $15,000 to Operating.

Article 26

Exhibit A – Spending

Department Budget:	Personnel	Operating	Total
114 Town Moderator	$5,466	$0	$5,466
122 Board of Selectmen	$61,490	$14,447	$75,937
123 Town Administrator	$297,787	$78,379	$376,166
132 Reserve Fund	$0	$78,796	$78,796
135 Town Accountant	$167,459	$3,050	$170,509
141 Board of Assessors	$155,439	$13,325	$168,764
145 Town Treasurer	$240,214	$31,005	$271,219
151 Town Counsel	$98,830	$17,225	$116,055
155 MIS/GIS	$7,500	$57,400	$64,900
161 Town Clerk	$145,471	$5,845	$151,316
162 Elections & Registrations	$32,386	$41,400	$73,786
172 Whip Hill Park	$47,867	$10,950	$58,817
182 Planning/Appeals Bd./Conservation	$21,733	$1,950	$23,683
192 Public Property Maintenance	$30,945	$85,112	$116,057
210 Police Department	$3,308,031	$311,822	$3,619,853
211 Traffic Directors	$97,900	$4,500	$102,400
212 Dispatchers	$320,865	$6,220	$327,085
220 Fire & Emergency Rescue	$2,628,785	$141,659	$2,770,444
241 Building & Wire Inspections	$171,979	$12,600	$184,579
291 Emergency Management	$23,920	$5,050	$28,970
300 Public Schools		$22,844,333	$22,844,333
398 Minuteman Vocational School		$30,000	$30,000
399 Northeast Regional Vocational		$409,762	$409,762
400 Public Works-Admin./Highway	$707,529	$2,213,705	$2,921,234
440 Sewer Department	$570,630	$3,655,395	$4,226,025
450 Water Department	$595,496	$2,775,057	$3,370,553
510 Public Health Services	$138,203	$5,240	$143,443
541 Council on Aging	$130,604	$46,596	$177,200
543 Veterans Services	$10,455	$55,257	$65,712
610 Library Department	$587,778	$160,899	$748,677
630 Unicorn Golf/Arena	$409,763	$617,012	$1,026,775
710 Mat Debt & Interest		$5,138,751	$5,138,751
910 Non Contributory Pension		$61,768	$61,768
911 Contributory Pensions		$4,013,085	$4,013,085
918 Capital Improvements		$37,225	$37,225
919 Unclassified		$2,826,434	$2,826,434
920 Non - Departmental		$35,229	$35,229
Total Budget	**$11,014,525**	**$45,846,483**	**$56,861,008**

Article 26

Exhibit B - Revenues

Said Sum to be raised or transferred as follows:	
Revenue of the Current Year	$47,738,180
By transfer from the Board of Health Stockwell Fund	$7,500
By transfer from the Cemetery Perpetual Care Income Fund	$28,000
By transfer from the Sale of Lots & Graves Reserve for Appropriations	$40,000
By transfer from the Whip Hill Trust Fund	$10,000
By transfer from the Overlay Surplus Account	$342,000
By transfer from the Stabilization Fund	$550,000
By transfer from the Estimated Water Receipts to:	
Department #450 Water Department	$3,370,553
Department #135 Town Accountant	$12,280
Department #145 Town Treasurer	$16,338
Department #155 MIS/GIS Department	$3,894
Department #911 Contributory Pensions	$158,397
Department #919 Unclassified	$21,373
By transfer from the Estimated Sewer Receipts to:	
Department #440 Sewer Department	$4,226,025
Department #710 Maturing Debt & Interest	$97,559
Department #135 Town Accountant	$15,351
Department #145 Town Treasurer	$20,422
Department #155 MIS/GIS Department	$5,493
Department #911 Contributory Pensions	$158,068
Department #919 Unclassified	$39,575
Total Estimated Revenues	**$56,861,008**

Question

Motion to Move the

Question is Moved
Vote on Amendment
Requires Majority Vote
Amendment Fails
Motion for Hand Count

Yes	**No**
49	**81**

Amendment Fails
Vote on Main Motion
Requires Majority Vote
Passes Unanimous

Motion to Dissolve.
Town Meeting Dissolved at 8:55 PM.

John J. Hanright, CMC
Town Clerk

2006 State Primary - Democratic Party Tally
September 19, 2006

Senator in Congress	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	96	131	124	111	133	153	94	842
Edward M. Kennedy	382	410	448	345	435	389	342	2751
Write-in	4	7	14	8	11	9	13	66
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
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Governor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	3	4	2	2	3	3	4	21
Christopher F. Gabrieli	163	201	244	172	209	213	167	1369
Deval L. Patrick	173	189	169	157	190	187	152	1217
Thomas F. Reilly	142	154	170	132	177	147	126	1048
Write-in	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	4
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Lieutenant Governor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	34	48	46	37	58	63	40	326
Deborah B. Goldberg	168	164	207	157	192	163	149	1200
Timothy P. Murray	186	232	227	176	221	199	162	1403
Andrea C. Silbert	94	103	106	94	107	125	96	725
Write-in	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	5
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Attorney General	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	94	131	123	90	127	136	107	808
Martha Coakley	387	414	461	369	450	413	339	2833
Write-in	1	3	2	5	2	2	3	18
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Secretary of State	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	62	76	73	57	79	99	49	495
William Francis Galvin	360	396	436	333	426	376	333	2660
John Bonifaz	60	76	77	73	73	75	66	500
Write-in	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	4
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Treasurer	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	119	150	141	121	141	166	114	952
Timothy P. Cahill	363	396	445	341	436	382	331	2694
Write-in	0	2	0	2	2	3	4	13
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Auditor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	123	153	141	124	148	183	115	987
A. Joseph DeNucci	356	395	444	339	429	363	330	2656
Write-in	3	0	1	1	2	5	4	16
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Rep. In Congress (7th Dist.)	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	103	132	125	115	135	159	97	866
Edward J. Markey	377	412	458	348	442	387	347	2771
Blanks	2	4	3	1	2	5	5	22
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Councillor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	154	208	188	160	200	218	152	1280
Michael J. Callahan	327	339	398	301	378	331	292	2366
Write-in	1	1	0	3	1	2	5	13
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Senator in General Court	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	479	541	586	460	573	544	442	3625
Write-in	3	7	0	4	6	7	7	34
Totals	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Rep. In General Court (30th)	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	XXXXX	XXXXX	169	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	169
Patrick Natale	XXXXX	XXXXX	417	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	417
Write-in	XXXXX	XXXXX	0	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	0
Total	XXXXX	XXXXX	586	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	586
								586

Rep. In General Court (31st)	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	115	152	XXXXX	137	151	181	114	850
Paul C. Casey	364	393	XXXXX	323	425	364	333	2202
Write-in	3	3	XXXXX	4	3	6	2	21
Total	482	548	0	464	579	551	449	3073
								3073

District Attorney	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	154	206	187	154	197	205	148	1251
Gerard T. Leone, Jr.	328	342	399	309	381	344	296	2399
Write-in	0	0	0	1	1	2	5	9
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Clerk of Courts	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	75	103	91	86	118	114	69	656
Bruce M. Desmond	148	167	180	128	174	174	155	1126
Michael A. Sullivan	258	277	315	249	286	262	224	1871
Write-in	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	6
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

Register of Deeds	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blank	146	187	173	148	182	199	144	1179
Eugene C. Brune	336	360	413	315	396	350	301	2471
Write-in	0	1	0	1	1	2	4	9
Total	482	548	586	464	579	551	449	3659
								3659

2006 State Primary - Republican Party Tally

September 19, 2006

Senator in Congress	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	4	2	6	5	1	5	4	27
Kenneth C. Chase	9	14	11	13	20	16	13	96
Kevin P. Scott	17	17	22	21	32	33	23	165
Write-in	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Governor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	3	4	6	5	11	12	5	46
Kerry Healey	26	28	32	32	41	42	33	234
Write-in	1	1	1	2	1	0	2	8
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Lieutenant Governor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	11	5	10	9	16	16	6	73
Reed V. Hillman	18	28	29	29	37	38	34	213
Write-in	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Attorney General	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	11	6	9	9	13	12	7	67
Larry Frisoli	19	27	30	30	40	42	33	221
Write-in	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Secretary of State	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	29	30	38	37	47	51	38	270
Write-in	1	3	1	2	6	3	2	18
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Treasurer	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	29	30	39	38	48	51	39	274
Write-in	1	3	0	1	5	3	1	14
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Auditor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	30	30	39	37	50	53	39	278
Write-in	0	3	0	2	3	1	1	10
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Rep. In Congress (7th Dist.)	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	29	31	39	39	50	52	37	277
Blanks	1	2	0	0	3	2	3	11
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Councillor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	14	12	13	14	21	21	10	105
William John Barabino	16	20	26	25	32	33	30	182
Write-in	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Senator in General Court	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	9	6	10	9	16	11	3	64
Richard R. Tisei	21	26	28	30	36	43	37	221
Write-in	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	3
Totals	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Rep. In General Court (30th)	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	XXXXX	XXXXX	38	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	38
Write-in	XXXXX	XXXXX	1	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	1
Total	XXXXX	XXXXX	39	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	XXXXX	39
								39

Rep. In General Court (31st)	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	30	30	XXXXX	38	49	52	38	237
Write-in	0	3	XXXXX	1	4	2	2	12
Total	30	33	XXXXX	39	53	54	40	249
								249

District Attorney	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	30	31	39	39	51	51	39	280
Write-in	0	2	0	0	2	3	1	8
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Clerk of Courts	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blanks	30	31	39	37	50	49	38	274
Write-in	0	2	0	2	3	5	2	14
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

Register of Deeds	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Total
Blank	30	31	39	38	50	51	39	278
Write-in	0	2	0	1	3	3	1	10
Total	30	33	39	39	53	54	40	288
								288

MINUTES FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2006

To either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham in the County of Middlesex,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs to meet in the **Town Hall, 35 Central Street,** on

Monday, October 23, 2006

at 7:30 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following articles of this Warrant:

Tellers were appointed to check the names of voters entering the Town Hall and the checklist showed 238 voters were inside the meeting.

Moderator Michael Rotondi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator Michael Rotondi at 7:38 PM and the warrant was read.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to revise the salary of the Board of Selectmen, previously established by vote of the Town Meeting pursuant to Article 4 of the April 1, 2006 Annual Town Meeting, by increasing said salary from $0.00 to $3,000.00 each, and further to transfer $15,000.00 from Department 918 to the personnel budget of the Board of Selectmen.

John J. Scullin et al
216 North Street

Article 1. **Voted** that the Town revise the salary of the Board of Selectmen, previously established by vote of the Town Meeting pursuant to Article 4 of the April 1, 2006 Annual Town Meeting, by increasing said salary from $0.00 to $3,000.00 each, and further to transfer $15,000.00 from Department 918 to the personnel budget of the Board of Selectmen.

⅔Vote Required
Hand Count
Yes No
105 69
Motion Fails
Motion for Reconsideration
Hand Count
Yes No
98 77
Cannot be Reconsidered

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-laws (Chapter 15 of the Town Code) by adding the following Section:

Section 4.5.3.4 Retail business and service establishment for motor vehicles, subject to the following:

a) Repairs shall be limited to minor repairs and adjustments unless conducted within a building
b) There shall be no outside storage of motor vehicles on the premises other than those awaiting delivery, or required in the operation of the garage or repair shop
c) The lot exclusive of required landscaping areas shall be paved

Dana Marek et al
12 Keene Street

Article 2. **Voted** that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaw by adding a new section Section 4.5.3.4 as follows:

4.5.3.4 Retail business and service establishment for motor vehicles, subject to the following:

a) Repairs shall be limited to minor repairs and adjustments unless conducted within a building.
b) There shall be no outside storage of motor vehicles on the premises other than those awaiting delivery, or required in the operation of the garage or repair shop.
c) The lot exclusive of required landscaping areas shall be paved.

⅔Vote Required
Passes Unanimous
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot be Reconsidered

sent to Attorney General November 14, 2006

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-laws (Chapter 15 of the Town Code) by adding the following Section:

4.5.3.3 Funeral Home or mortuary.

Planning Board

Article 3. **Voted** that the Town amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaw by adding a new section Section 4.5.3.3 as follows:

4.5.3.3 Funeral Home or mortuary.

⅔Vote Required
Passes Unanimous
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot be Reconsidered

sent to Attorney General November 14, 2006

Article 4. To see if the Town of Stoneham will vote to amend the Zoning By-laws (Chapter 15 of the Town Code) by adding to the Central Business District the following described property:

Parcel 2 as shown on a Plan entitled "Plan of Land 322 Main Street and 4 Common Street Stoneham, Massachusetts" by Cyprus Engineering & Environmental Services, Inc. dated December 14, 2005 and recorded with the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 30 of 2006. Said Parcel 2 is more particularly described as follows:

NORTHERLY: by land now or formerly of Post Investment Realty fifty-seven and fifty-four hundredths (57.54) feet as shown in said Plan;

EASTERLY: by land now or formerly of Trembetta nine and thirty-four hundredths (9.34) feet as shown on said Plan;

NORTHERLY: by land now or formerly of Trembetta thirty-one and twenty-five hundredths (31.25) feet as shown on said Plan;

EASTERLY: by land now or formerly of Trembetta and Mahoney one hundred and twenty and sixty-four hundredths (120.64) feet;

SOUTHERLY: by Common Street ninety-two and seventeen hundredths (92.17) feet as shown on said Plan;

WESTERLY: by Parcel 1 seventy-six and nine hundredths (76.09) feet;

SOUTHERLY: by Parcel 1 eighty hundredths (.80) feet as shown on said Plan;

WESTERLY: by Parcel 1 thirty-two and thirty hundredths (32.30) feet as shown on said Plan;

NORTHERLY: by Parcel 1 eighty hundredths (.80) feet as shown on said Plan and

WESTERLY: by Parcel 1 seven and forty hundredths (7.40) feet as shown on said Plan.

John L. Anderson et al
25 West Street

Article 4. **Voted** that the Town of Stoneham amend the Stoneham Town Code, Chapter 15, Zoning Bylaw by adding to the Central Business District the following described property:

Parcel 2 as shown on a Plan entitled "Plan of Land 322 Main Street and 4 Common Street Stoneham, Massachusetts" by Cyprus Engineering & Environmental Services, Inc. dated December 14, 2005 and recorded with the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 30 of 2006. Said Parcel 2 is more particularly described as follows:

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NORTHERLY: by land now or formerly of Trembetta thirty-one and twenty-five hundredths (31.25) feet as shown on said Plan;

EASTERLY: by land now or formerly of Trembetta and Mahoney one hundred and twenty and sixty-four hundredths (120.64) feet;

SOUTHERLY: by Common Street ninety-two and seventeen hundredths (92.17) feet as shown on said Plan;

WESTERLY: by Parcel 1 seventy-six and nine hundredths (76.09) feet;

SOUTHERLY: by Parcel 1 eighty hundredths (.80) feet as shown on said Plan;

WESTERLY: by Parcel 1 thirty-two and thirty hundredths (32.30) feet as shown on said Plan;

NORTHERLY: by Parcel 1 eighty hundredths (.80) feet as shown on said Plan and

WESTERLY: by Parcel 1 seven and forty hundredths (7.40) feet as shown on said Plan.

⅔ Vote Required
Passes Unanimous
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot be Reconsidered

sent to Attorney General November 14, 2006

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Laws (Chapter 15 of the Town Code) by deleting "No member of the Board of Appeals shall serve more than one (1) full term as a regular member consecutively." So that it will read as follows:

7.1.1.5 *Terms*: The terms of regular members shall be three (3) years. All terms of associate members shall be one (1) year.

Board of Appeals

Article 5. **Voted** that the Town amend the Zoning By-Laws (Chapter 15 of the Town Code) by deleting "No member of the Board of Appeals shall serve more than one (1) full term as a regular member consecutively." And substituting the following:

7.1.1.5 Terms: The terms of regular members shall be three (3) years. All terms of associate members shall be one (1) year.

⅔ Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

sent to Attorney General November 14, 2006

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 23D of Chapter 39 of the Massachusetts General Laws (Chapter 79 of the Acts of 2006). Said Section 23D provides, in relevant part, that: "upon acceptance of this section for 1 or more types of adjudicatory hearings, a member of any municipal board, committee or commission when holding an adjudicatory hearing shall not be disqualified from voting in the matter solely due to that member's absence from no more than a single session of the hearing at which testimony or other evidence is received. Before any such vote, the member shall certify in writing that he has examined all evidence received at the missed session, which evidence shall include an audio or video recording of the missed session or a transcript thereof. The written certification shall be part of the record of the hearing. Nothing in this section shall change, replace, negate or otherwise supersede applicable quorum requirements." And further to amend the Stoneham Town Code, "Article IV Officers, Boards and

Committees, Generally", by adding a section for such "minimum additional requirements, [if any], for attendance at scheduled board, committee, and commission hearings under Section 23C of Chapter 39.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Town Administrator
Board of Selectmen

Article 6. **Voted** that the Town accept the provisions of Section 23D of Chapter 39 of the Massachusetts General Laws (Chapter 79 of the Acts of 2006). Said Section 23D provides, in relevant part, that: "upon acceptance of this section for 1 or more types of adjudicatory hearings, a member of any municipal board, committee or commission when holding an adjudicatory hearing shall not be disqualified from voting in the matter solely due to that member's absence from no more than a single session of the hearing at which testimony or other evidence is received. Before any such vote, the member shall certify in writing that he has examined all evidence received at the missed session, which evidence shall include an audio or video recording of the missed session or a transcript thereof. The written certification shall be part of the record of the hearing. Nothing in this section shall change, replace, negate or otherwise supersede applicable quorum requirements."

Motion to Move the Question

Question is Moved
Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator
Motion for Reconsideration
Cannot Be Reconsidered

Article 7. To see if the Town will petition the Legislature to pass a special act which provides that notwithstanding any general or special law or rule or regulation to the contrary regulating the maximum age of an applicant for appointment as a police officer or firefighter, the personnel administrator of the human resources division and/or such other official(s) of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as required by law or regulation, shall certify Mark Walsh to be eligible for original appointment to the position of police officer or firefighter in the Town of Stoneham according to the grade he received on the civil service examination for the respective positions. If Mark Walsh meets all of the requirements for such appointment to either of the respective positions, the Town of Stoneham may appoint him. And further that said special act shall take effect upon its passage.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 7. **Voted** that the Town petition the Legislature to pass a special act which provides that notwithstanding any general or special law or rule or regulation to the contrary regulating the maximum age of an applicant for appointment as a police officer, the personnel administrator of the human resources division and/or such other official(s) of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as required by law or regulation, shall certify Mark Walsh to be eligible for original appointment to the position of police officer in the Town of Stoneham according to the grade he received on the civil service examination taken prior to the vote on this warrant article for the position of police officer. If

Mark Walsh meets all of the requirements for such appointment as a police officer, the Town of Stoneham may appoint him. And further that said special act shall take effect upon its passage.

Majority Voted Required
Passes Per Moderator

**Letters sent to Legislators Casey, Natale & Tisei on October 25, 2006*

Article 8. To see if the Town of Stoneham will vote to accept the provisions of Chapters 55 and Section 3 of Chapter 64 of the Acts of 2006 which will allow for an increase in the accidental death benefit for surviving children to an amount equal to the benefit provided for in G.L. c32 Sec 7(2)(a)(iii). That yearly benefit is currently $629.64. The new amendments to G.L. 32 sec 9 become effective on July 5, 2006.

Board of Retirement

Article 8. **Voted** that the Town of Stoneham accept the provisions of Chapters 55 and Section 3 of Chapter 64 of the Acts of 2006 which will allow for an increase in the accidental death benefit for surviving children to an amount equal to the benefit provided for in Mass General Laws c32 Sec 7(2)(a)(iii). That yearly benefit is currently $629.64. The new amendments to Mass general Laws c 32 sec 9 become effective on July 5, 2006.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept Section 2 of Chapter 157 of the Acts of 2005, an Act relative to Disability Retirement Benefits for Veterans.

On November 22, 2005 the Governor signed Chapter 157 of the Acts of 2005, an Act that provides Section 7 Accidental Disability retirees with a veteran's benefit. Chapter 157 of the acts of 2005 became effective on November 23, 2005. Since the passage of the provision, the Stoneham Retirement Board approved Section 1 in December 2005 and the Town of Stoneham accepted this article at the May 2006 Town Meeting.

Section 2, of Chapter 157 of the Acts of 2005 makes the allowance retroactive to a retiree's date of retirement. Section 2 is subject to acceptance by both the Retirement Board and local legislative body. If Section 2 is accepted, payments will be retroactive to the date of retirement for living retirees only. Payment under this section shall be made in a lump sum or in installments and shall be made in full within 1 year of the receipt of a completed and satisfactory application by the board.

The Stoneham Retirement Board

Article 9. **Voted** that the Town accept Section 2 of Chapter 157 of the Acts of 2005, an Act relative to Disability Retirement Benefits for Veterans.

On November 22, 2005 the Governor signed Chapter 157 of the Acts of 2005, an Act that provides Section 7 Accidental Disability retirees with a veteran's benefit. Chapter 157 of the acts of 2005 became effective on November 23, 2005. Since the passage of the provision, the Stoneham Retirement Board approved Section 1 in December 2005 and the Town of Stoneham accepted this article at the May 2006 Town Meeting.

Section 2, of Chapter 157 of the Acts of 2005 makes the allowance retroactive to a retiree's date of retirement. Section 2 is subject to acceptance by both the Retirement Board and local legislative body. If Section 2 is accepted, payments will be retroactive to the date of retirement for living retirees only. Payment under this section shall be made in a lump sum or in installments and shall be made in full within 1 year of the receipt of a completed and satisfactory application by the board.

Majority Vote Required
Fails Per Moderator

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Stoneham Town Code, Article 9, Offenses-Miscellaneous by adding a new Section to impose a fine, including, but not limited to a non-criminal disposition fine, for a person who intentionally makes a false 911 call or report to the Stoneham Police Department, Stoneham Fire Department or any dispatch service for either of the Departments, and further to add such offense to the list of offenses in Section 1-4A which may be imposed by non-criminal disposition by police officers and to set the non-criminal disposition fine for said offense.

Or do anything in relation thereto.

Chief of Police
Stoneham Police Department

Article 10. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article No. 10.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Passes
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 11. To see if the Town will (a) vote to rescind Warrant Article 6 of the 2003 Annual Town Meeting and (b) vote that all fees fixed as a result of Article 6 shall expire at the end of Fiscal Year 2006 and (c) vote that all future proposed fees shall require, as a minimum, a two-thirds (2/3) vote by Town Meeting; or do anything in relation thereto. Each of the aforementioned parts of this Article shall be voted on separately and in the order presented.

John M. DeGeorge et al
148 Franklin Street

Article 11. **Voted** that the Town vote separately on each part of this Article in the order here presented:

(a) Vote to rescind Warrant Article 6 of the 2003 Annual Town Meeting.

(b) Vote that all fees fixed as a result of Article 6 shall expire at the end of Fiscal Year 2006.

(c) Vote that all future proposed fees shall require, as a minimum, a two-thirds (2/3) vote by Town Meeting.

Motion to Divide the Question
Majority Vote Required
Motion Fails
Main Motion- Majority Vote
Fails Per Moderator

Article 12. To se if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to amend the Fiscal Year 2007 departmental budgets and funding sources, approved under Article No. 26 of the May 1, 2006 Annual Town Meeting, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

ARTICLE #12-- (EXHIBIT A)

Adjust the following budgets:

Dept. #	Department	Salaries	Operating	Total	
132	Finance Board Reserve Fund		(47,255.00)	($47,255.00)	$22,255 Reg. Voc School, $25,000 for IT Person (leaves $31,541 in Reserve Fund)
155	MIS/GIS	25,000.00		$25,000.00	Relieve Treasurer of IT responsibilities
182	Planning/BOA/Conserv. Comm	5,000.00		$5,000.00	Additional hours needed to attend Board Mtgs.
192	Public Property Maintenance	22,225.00		$22,225.00	Share School Facility person
241	Building Department	(5,000.00)		($5,000.00)	Hired temp to fill in for employee on reduced hours
399	Vocational School		$22,255.00	$22,255.00	FY07 Increase set aside in Reserve Fund
400	Public Works Department	$22,000.00	($10,000.00)	$12,000.00	Additional hours for Recycling & Cemetery work.
918	Capital		($22,225.00)	($22,225.00)	Fund Facility person position
	Net amount	**$69,225.00**	($57,225.00)	**$12,000.00**	

Said sum in the amount of $12,000 to be raised or transferred as follows:

Transfer from Sale of Lots and Graves $12,000

Article 12. **Voted** that the Town amend the Fiscal Year 2007 departmental budgets and funding sources, approved under Article No. 26 of the May 1, 2006 Annual Town Meeting, as described in Exhibit A.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Surplus Revenue, a sum of money to the Stabilization Fund, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 13. **Voted** that the Town indefinitely postpone the subject matter of Article No. 13.

Motion to Indefinitely Postpone
Passes
Indefinitely Postponed

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds or borrow a sum of money to fund related costs associated with necessary interior capital repairs to Stoneham High School and Stoneham Middle School at a cost not to exceed $250,000,

Or do anything in relation thereto.

School Committee

Article 14. **Voted** that the Town appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000) to fund related costs associated with necessary interior capital repairs to Stoneham High School and Stoneham Middle School; and to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow up to Two hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars ($250,000) under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; and the Town Administrator is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

⅔Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

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Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to amend the amounts raised and appropriated for the School Department under Article No. 26 of the May 1, 2004 Annual Town Meeting by increasing said amount by $150,000 for the purpose of funding required system-wide custodial coverage and other Middle School instructional personnel. Said additional amount to be raised and appropriated or transfer from available funds,

Or do anything in relation thereto.

School Committee

Article 15. **Voted** that the Town amend the amount raised and appropriated for the School Department under Article No. 26 of the May 1, 2004 Annual Town Meeting by increasing said amount by Forty-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars ($44,829) for the purpose of funding required system-wide custodial coverage and a part-time Middle School technology aide. Said sum to be transferred from surplus revenue.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow the sum of $50,000 to defray the cost of drainage improvements and to perform drainage studies in the Mac Arthur Road area and the Spring Street area or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 16. **Voted** that the Town appropriate Fifty Thousand Dollars ($50,000) to defray the cost of drainage improvements and to perform drainage studies in the Mac Arthur Road area and the Spring Street area. Said sum to be transferred from surplus revenue.

Motion to Amend made by William A. Previdi 11 Elmhurst Road as follows: Change "raise and appropriate, transfer from available funds" to borrow.

Vote on Amendment
Majority Vote Required
Amendment Fails
Vote on Main Motion
Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate $141,722 to be received by the Town from the State Highway Funds account. This is a supplemental apportionment to the Town's FY2006 Chapter 90 account for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on Public Ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure, or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 17. **Voted** that the Town appropriate One Hundred Forty-One Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars ($141,722) for the purpose of continuing the permanent construction program on Public Ways within the Town or other eligible municipal projects and authorize the Town Administrator to make such expenditure. This is a supplemental apportionment to the Town's FY2006 Chapter 90 account to be received by the Town from the State Highway Funds account.

Majority Vote Required
Passes Per Moderator

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to implement certain rehabilitation and construction projects on the Town's sanitary sewer system under Phase 6 of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Assistance Program and the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, be authorized to sell from time to time, as the occasion requires, Town notes, bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness in the amount not to exceed $408,000 in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 7 (1)

of the Massachusetts General Laws and further to accept any grants or gifts for those projects or do anything in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen

Article 18. **Voted** that the Town appropriate a sum of Four Hundred Eight Thousand ($408,000) to implement certain rehabilitation and construction projects on the Town's sanitary sewer system under Phase 6 of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority Assistance Program; and to meet this appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, is authorized to borrow up to Four Hundred Eight Thousand ($408,000) in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 7 (1) of the Massachusetts General Laws under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority and further to accept any grants or gifts for those projects; and the Town Administrator is authorized to take any action necessary to carry out this vote.

⅔ Vote Required
Passes Unanimous

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, the sum of $648.99 to pay prior year invoice; or do anything in relation thereto.

Town Treasurer

Article 19. **Voted** that the Town appropriate Six Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars and Ninety-Nine Cents ($648.99) to pay prior year invoice. Said sum to be transferred from the FY2007 Unclassified Operating Budget.

9/10 Vote Required
Passes Unanimous
Motion to Dissolve
Dissolved at 11:03 PM

John J. Hanright
Town Clerk

2006 State Election Tally

Senator in Congress	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	41	43	45	38	48	52	40	307
Edward M. Kennedy	831	859	994	767	894	809	758	5912
Kenneth G. Chase	333	391	480	408	458	474	374	2918
Write-ins	0	0	4	1	4	3	2	14
Total	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Governor & Lt. Governor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	9	6	18	15	12	11	9	80
Healey and Hillman	423	499	651	496	609	602	456	3736
Patrick and Murray	642	661	721	583	622	600	558	4387
Mihos and Sullivan	108	108	110	91	141	95	129	782
Ross and Robinson	21	17	23	28	19	27	18	153
Write-ins	2	2	0	1	1	3	4	13
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
								9151

Attorney General	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	37	35	35	37	51	39	33	267
Martha Coakley	865	920	1045	848	941	902	807	6328
Larry Frisoli	303	338	443	328	411	397	331	2551
Write-ins	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	5
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Secretary of State	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	94	108	164	130	145	154	134	929
William Francis Galvin	937	998	1180	919	1052	985	873	6944
Jill E. Stein	172	187	176	162	204	193	163	1257
Write-ins	2	0	3	3	3	6	4	21
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Treasurer	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	122	129	183	152	167	165	145	1063
Timothy P. Cahill	902	982	1149	893	1053	960	854	6793
James O'Keefe	181	182	187	163	181	209	169	1272
Write-ins	0	0	4	6	3	4	6	23
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Auditor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	137	132	191	161	165	177	126	1089
A. Joseph DeNucci	879	959	1115	857	1008	943	841	6602
Rand Wilson	188	200	214	193	228	216	202	1441
Write-ins	1	2	3	3	3	2	5	19
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Representative in Congress	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	251	278	357	304	310	359	266	2125
Edward J. Markey	944	998	1145	885	1074	952	882	6880
Write-ins	10	17	21	25	20	27	26	146
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Councillor	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	127	128	162	135	158	171	127	1008
Michael J. Callahan	624	677	734	608	648	581	544	4416
William John Barabino	280	308	398	308	388	360	331	2373
Rosemary A. Macero	98	84	108	81	107	101	67	646
Ted Sarandis	75	96	120	81	101	123	105	701
Write-ins	1	0	1	1	2	2	0	7
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Senator in General Court	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	311	331	358	292	335	325	266	2218
Richard R. Tisei	886	952	1157	913	1053	998	893	6852
Write-ins	8	10	8	9	16	15	15	81
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Rep. in General Court (31st Dist)	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	240	275	XXXXXX	299	314	343	251	1722
Paul C. Casey	955	1004	XXXXXX	896	1074	976	900	5805
Write-ins	10	14	XXXXXX	19	16	19	23	101
Totals	1205	1293	XXXXXX	1214	1404	1338	1174	7628
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Rep. In General Court (30th Dist)	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	398	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	398
Patrick Natale	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	1118	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	1118
Write-ins	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	7	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	7
Totals	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	1523	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	XXXXXX	1523
								1523

District Attorney	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	323	348	442	358	389	418	324	2602
Gerard T. Leone, Jr.	878	938	1072	838	1007	902	834	6469
Write-ins	4	7	9	18	8	18	16	80
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Clerk of Courts	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	311	330	418	352	374	425	321	2531
Michael A. Sullivan	891	960	1100	845	1020	898	838	6552
Write-ins	3	3	5	17	10	15	15	68
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Register of Deeds	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blanks	329	344	424	365	384	416	327	2589
Eugene C. Brune	873	944	1092	835	1009	908	832	6493
Write-ins	3	5	7	14	11	14	15	69
Totals	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Question One	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blank	45	66	76	65	43	52	51	398
Yes	407	505	523	420	539	540	466	3400
No	753	722	924	729	822	746	657	5353
Total	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Question Two	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blank	118	139	194	136	131	133	134	985
Yes	357	366	371	304	419	405	319	2541
No	730	788	958	774	854	800	721	5625
Total	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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Question Three	Pct. 1	Pct. 2	Pct. 3	Pct. 4	Pct. 5	Pct. 6	Pct. 7	Totals
Blank	111	131	169	118	122	122	117	890
Yes	508	573	547	476	557	555	474	3690
No	586	589	807	620	725	661	583	4571
Total	1205	1293	1523	1214	1404	1338	1174	9151
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TOWN COUNSEL

I am pleased to offer the following report concerning the office of Town Counsel for the Year 2006.

With respect to the litigation to which the Town was a party, the following cases were disposed of in the Year 2006:

Town of Stoneham v. Massachusetts Bay Transportation and Boston & Maine, Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 03-0450;

Todd Industries Electrical Contractors, Inc. v. Town of Stoneham, Alexandra Construction, Inc., et al., Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 02-1308;

Trustee Abbey Realty Trust et al v.Thomas Cahill, Trustee of the Lynn Shore Drive Trust and the Stoneham Planning Board, Land Court Docket No. 286205;

McGourthy, et al. v. Simpson Housing Limited Partnership and Zoning Board of Appeals of the Town of Stoneham, Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 05-3601

The Friends of the Middlesex Fells Reservation, Inc., et al. v. Stoneham Zoning Board of Appeals, Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 05-3620;

Town of Stoneham v. Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Steven Pritchard as Acting Commissioner of Department of Conservation and Recreation, Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. Nos. 02942;

Cosmo Ciccarello and 33 others v. Commonwealth of Massachusetts and Steven Pritchard as Acting Commissioner of Department of Conservation and Recreation, Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. Nos. 02943;

The following cases were added in the Year 2006 and are still pending:

Town of Stoneham & another v. Commonwealth of Massachusetts & another, Massachusetts Appeals Court No. 2006-P-1676;

Eugene Argiro v. Town of Stoneham, et al., Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. Middlesex Superior Court, C.A. No. 06-4575;

Town of Stoneham v. Vincent C. Serrentino, d/b/a Atlantic Truck Care, Woburn District Court, C.A. No. 0653CV1531.

Legal assistance was provided to Town officials, boards, committees, department and employees. Early and proactive involvement is the best means to protect the legal interests of the Town. Matters addressed in 2006 included: (i) the request for proposal and contract for the clubhouses and pro shops at the Unicorn Golf Course and Stoneham Par Three Golf Course; and (ii) the request for proposal and contract/lease for the management and operation of the Stoneham Arena concession and vending machines.

In June, 2006, the Board of Selectmen, with the assistance of this office, granted a Cable Television License to Verizon New England, Inc. As a result, Stoneham is one of a relatively few communities in the Commonwealth with three (3) cable operators. The Verizon license provides that Verizon will pay five percent (5%) of its "gross annual revenues" to the Town of Stoneham or its designee (i.e. Stoneham Community Television) for Public, Educational and Government ("PEG") access costs. (5% of gross annual revenues is the maximum payment allowed by federal law, and equals the PEG Access operational requirement of the both Comcast and RCN in Stoneham.) Additionally, there is a PEG/Institutional Network grant in the total amount of Five Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars ($540,000). It is Verizon's obligation to return to its subscribers, all PEG Access channels and programming. Importantly, cable service must, at the end of the build-out period, be offered to all Stoneham residents regardless of their location or the density of the neighborhood.

My thanks to the Board of Selectmen, the Town Administrator (Ron Florino), other Town officials, department heads and employees for their continued assistance. It is my honor to serve as Town Counsel.

William H. Solomon
Town Counsel

Treasurer/Collector
Annual Report

The principal function of this office is the management of funds. This office is responsible for the deposits of all income as well as the disbursement of all personnel payroll and vendor checks. Investment management and bond indebtedness are also functions of the Treasurer; the objective being that all funds are safe, liquid and invested daily at the highest possible yield.

With the continued tightening of interest rates by the Federal government, we should begin to see some additional interest revenue.

We have converted most of the major receivables to a new system, but have yet to convert utility billing. Changes in staffing have hampered our ability to complete the conversion. We are hopeful to be fully converted in FY2007.

The successes of the past year are due to the diligent efforts of Peggy Columbus, Barbara Hanafin, Diane Murphy, and Kathleen Sullivan.